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And think life's green well worth its rose!

No sorrow will your heart betide,
Without a comfort by its side;
The sun may sleep in his sea-bed,
But you have starlight overhead.

Trust not to joy! the rose of June
When open wide will wither soon!
Italian days without twilight
Will turn them suddenly to night.

Joy, most changeful of all things,
Flits away on rainbow wings;
And when they look the gayest, know,
It is that they are spread to go!

—*Elizabeth Barrett.*

ON BROADWAY.

See! Young America, his native arms
With bundles laden,
Escorting in a slipshod kind of way
A pretty maiden,
Often she drops a yard or two behind
Before he's missed her,
Ah! her relationship is plain—
His sister.

And close behind the couple we have seen
Appears another—
A young man with a venerable dame—
Of course, his mother;
For he has, with a patronizing air,
Her ear enlisted,
And tells her things of which she was aware
Ere he existed.

Another pair, who, walking far apart,
Scorn conversation,
He eyeing all the young and blooming girls
With admiration;
She, with a weary air, and loaded down
With goods he should have carried,
Seems filled with care; alas! the fact is clear,
These two *are* married.

One couple more—their hands are slyly clasped,
They seem devoted,
The glances of sardonic passers-by
Are all unnoted.
Her eyes—the color of the radiant sky
So bright above us—
Look fondly into his. Come, let us go,
These two are lovers!

MISCELLANEOUS.

Madeleine de Pierrepont.

In the woods forming what remains of the forest of Ardennes, about a mile from a small village called Solenthal, a narrow path leads from a high road to a spot once occupied by charcoal burners, but now abandoned. It was a gloomy place. The ground for about an acre was black, where charcoal had been burned and stored, while a small fringe of green grass had pushed itself forward from the forest, and commenced regaining lost ground. In the center was a deep hole, to be entered only on one side by a path of narrow dimensions. In this was a small hut of wretched aspect, one of millions in France, where glitter and glory hide misery worse than that of Ireland in her worst days, where sound and show conceal from us 16,000,000 of paupers.—This hut had no window. It curved in shape, and closely resembled a wigwam of the poorest class. It consisted of three poles stuck in the ground, meeting at the top, these tied together, and then, of course, thatch and mud. A hole was left in the top for the smoke to pass out. The floor was of mud. In one corner was a pile of straw which, with two chairs and a table, formed the whole of the furniture. It was occupied by two women and a large dog. At the moment when our narrative commences only one was at home. She was about fifty, poorly, but not meanly, clad. She was clean, neat and tidy, and she plied her needle with unceasing energy. She was sewing for a livelihood.

A short distance off, on the edge of the wood, another woman, or rather a young girl, dressed in the same manner, was picking up wood and laying it on an outspread cloth on the ground. She, too, plied her work industriously, for, until sufficient fuel had been collected, she could not cook their humble dinner.—Presently she seemed satisfied with what she had done, and was about to proceed when two horsemen issued from the wood and came along, walking their horses slowly. One was a young man about five-and-twenty, rosy-cheeked, full of health and handsome; the other was ten years older, and evidently an habitue of the boulevards and the cafes of Paris. His pale face—made paler by a thin, black mustache and jet black hair—his hollow, sunken eyes, spoke of the man of late hours and pleasures. His face was cold and repulsive, while that of the other was open and frank.

"What a wretched occupation for so pretty a girl," said the young man; and riding quickly on, so as to speak first:

"Surely, machere, you might put your taper fingers to a better use. Here's what will buy you firewood for months."

And he cast a double Napoleon at her feet.

The girl raised her angelic face to his, sadly and reproachfully. She was about eighteen. Her white skin, her blue eyes, her curly, golden hair, her simple, child-like manner, was something he had never seen before. Her expression was timid and yet proud; and looking into her eyes, the young man was not surprised at the reply he received:

"Monsieur, I have done nothing to give you a right to insult me. What you have done may have been meant kindly; but I ask alms of no one."

"Pardon, me, mademoiselle, I pray you. I thought you poor, and my impulse was to aid you."

"Thank you, monsieur, for the first kind word I have heard these fifteen years except from my own mother," said the young girl. "But go your way, or else the whole country will shun you, too."

"Begone, wretch!" exclaimed the other, riding up and raising his whip menacingly; "begone, viper, and dare not speak to an honest man."

The young man listened in amazement.

"I did not speak to monsieur; monsieur spoke to me," said the girl gently with, however, a smile of pity and contempt.

"Raise your accursed lips to me again," cried the other furiously, "and I will scourge you with my whip."

"Monsieur is perhaps a coward," said the gentle girl, stung to anger for once, and turning at the same time to face his insults.

"What! dare you answer me?" And he raised his whip again.

"Nay, Edward, you would not strike a woman!"

"A woman! Do you call Madeleine de Pierrepont the child of my father's friend, my Uncle Dubois, a woman? Say, rather, a fiend," screamed the usually calm dandy.

"Madeleine de Pierrepont!" replied the other, staggering so that his friend had to turn his assistance to him. "Madeleine de Pierrepont! And this is Madeleine de Pierrepont! Truly," he muttered, as he remounted his horse, "she is not a woman."

The other imitated him, and he rode off, leaving the young girl to weep alone. In a few minutes, however, she wiped her eyes, and then—fearful she might be suspected of appropriating the gold-piece—she took it up, and wrapped it in a piece of paper with the intention of returning it to its owner. She then lifted up her bundle and walked slowly toward the hut.

"Tell me the story of the girl," said the young man gravely.

The other told it: Fifteen years before the father of Madeleine de Pierrepont and a Monsieur Dubois, a rich proprietor, had been intimate friends. De Pierrepont was comfortably off from the fact of his having several occupations. He was collector of the rent of a rich member of his noble family; he was a tax gatherer and *adjoint* to the *Maire*.—The *Maire* was M. Dubois, a rich man, but somewhat of a miser.

It appeared that one afternoon Dubois asked Pierrpont to walk over to a small town at some distance to receive with him a large remittance with which he had to pay a body of workmen employed in the public works and other expenses incurred in the building of a church and school-room.

Dubois felt safer with a companion.—It was afterward proved that they received the money, dined together at the Soleil d'Or, drank rather more than they were used to, and then, despite every representation, set out to walk home, though Pierrepont wished to hire a gig. Next morning the body of Dubois was found about a hundred yards beyond the house of Pierrepont, which was at the foot of a hill that led up to the village.—All his money was gone, as well as his watch and rings.

A search took place instantly, and De Pierrepont, as his companion, was visited by the police agent. Pierrepont deposed that Dubois on reaching his house bade him go in, for that he could go up the hill alone; but still he requested him to keep a bag of 1,000 francs in silver, because it was so heavy, until the morning. This 1,000 francs he gave up to the police. Of 16,000 francs in notes he declared he knew nothing.

On this he was arrested as the assassin, tried, found guilty, and sent to the galleys for life. His wife solemnly declared that she heard Dubois wish her husband good-night, and say, laughingly, "I'll send a cart for the silver in the morning." But instead of benefiting him in the eyes of the world, she became his accomplice. To avoid being hooted at in the street she left the village, and every penny being spent before her husband's trial was over, she obtained reluctant permission to dwell in the charcoal burner's deserted hut. But all shunned her and her child as they would lepers; and, to live, she was obliged to walk nine miles in search of work of the coarsest description. Leave the country she would not, because she was born there, and felt convinced that her husband certainly would be ultimately pardoned.

"And you join, Edward, in the infamous persecution. Supposing the father guilty—which to me is not clearly proven, and you know I am a lawyer—why should this poor girl suffer for the sins of her father! Why, the savages of North America, where I have just come from, are more civilized than you. I see in this heroic couple subjects of wonder and admiration, but none of hate. Poor creatures! Fifteen years of misery have not satisfied you all; but you must still treat them as outcasts."

"My dear Arthur, you have just come from America, where it appears to me you pick up very singular notions. For my part, the wife and daughter of an assassin, and the assassin of my uncle, are detestable wretches whom I must hate," said the other in his usually cool way.—His fit of anger was passed.

"Injustice, infamous, infamous injustice. Poor girl! I think I see her meek face now looking at me so proudly and yet so sweetly. I never saw anything so lovely in my life."

"Why the man is in love!" exclaimed Edward Dubois, the heir to the murdered man's property.

"Half; and what's more, Edward, do you know I'd marry that girl to-morrow if she'd have me; but I know she would not."

"By my faith," said Edward, "you amaze me, and I'm not easily amazed.—You are joking."

"Time will show, but now, my dear fellow, adieu; you follow that path in search of pleasure, I this on business."

"Adieu, *a demain*."

"Yes. You breakfast with me at the little inn, you know."

"Agreed, my philosopher. Adieu."

And Edward Dubois galloped down a narrow path leading to the chattan of a certain Count de Jessen, who that day gave a grand dinner and evening party. As soon as Arthur saw that he was out of sight he turned his horse's steps and galloped hard toward the charcoal-burner's hut.

When Madeleine returned to the hut and began making a fire she told her mother what had passed, and showed her the gold-piece. They were used to this kind of treatment, and the Mother did not feel it much now. The scorn of fifteen years made her despise the world. But Madeleine seemed hurt.

"I do not care," she exclaimed aloud at last, "for what the young Monsieur Dubois said; but I am vexed that the good-looking stranger should have said [illegible]

"You are not a woman, but an angel," exclaimed Arthur solemnly. He had approached on foot, and had heard a portion of their conversation.

The mother and daughter stood still in dumb amazement.

"You seem surprised, madame," said the young man, addressing the mother. "You will be more so when I add that I have returned with the deliberate intention of imploring you to give me your daughter's hand in marriage; not now, instantly, but when you know me better."

"Monsieur!" exclaimed the mother indignantly, "this is too much. Go; the felon's daughter is still too good for insult."

"Madame," said Arthur respectfully, "perhaps your astonishment will cease when I add that your husband is innocent, and that I have come 6,000 miles to prove it."

"You are—speaking—seriously?" gasped the poor woman.

"On my soul and conscience," said Arthur solemnly.

"Oh, joy! oh, joy!" shrieked the girl, clasping the stranger around the neck; "the savior has come at last."

"Be calm, my dear young lady, and I will tell you my story in a few words. You will then understand my motives in coming here. I scarcely expected to find you at Solenthal, but at last I determined to try. I came last night, and soon heard of your resignation and courage. Be seated, dear girl, and listen to tidings that will be joyful indeed to your filial heart."

Madeleine, blushing—her color coming and going—obeyed, and seated herself on a log near the young stranger.

"I am a young Frenchman, and about seven years ago I emigrated to Peru in search of fortune. I started as a lawyer, and found business plentiful enough. I knew many Frenchmen in the place; but a merchant of the name of Gaillard was my most intimate friend. He was twice my age; grave, even sullen and saturnine; but he had quaint ways, was very charitable—and I liked him. Besides, the others were married, had families, and he was alone.—We used to meet of an evening at a cafe, play piquet, drink sherbert, and then walk home together. He was rich, and lived in great style, but not in any way up to his income. People wondered that he never married; but he said he had been married, and was not inclined to try the experiment again. He looked with alarm at the prospects of my settling in life, and did all he could to preserve unto himself one bachelor friend.

"About a year ago he fell ill, and the doctor at once intimated to him that he would not recover. Apart from disease, it was a general break-up of nature.

"When he found there was no hope he sent for me.

"'Verean,' said he 'listen to a dying man, and interrupt me not. You see on this bed an assassin, a thief, a murderer—fourteen years ago, sitting in a hotel, I saw two men dining, one of whom had received sixteen or seventeen thousand francs. A dreadful thought came into my head. I was not poor, but I was wicked. I followed these two men. They walked on their way to Solenthal together. I dare not attack both, and once or twice I thought of giving up my fearful design. But at the house of one De Pierrepont they parted, and my victim, Dubois, advanced alone.

"'I was monster enough to think that Heaven gave him up to me. I bounded after him; I gave myself no time for thought; I stabbed him in the neck; killed him; took his money, and fled. I spare you my fifteen years of suffering—my thoughts. I fled my country; became a merchant—rich—respected; but I never had one happy moment. Not only had I murdered him, but Pierrepont was suspected and sentenced for my crime—only not to death, because the jury hesitated. I thus ruined an honest man and sent his family to beg their bread.'

"He paused. I spoke not, too absorbed in my horror.

"'De Verean, listen to me, my friend.—Do not turn against me; I have left you my sole heir.'

"'Never will I—'

"'Hark! you must, and you will take my property and think, when you enjoy it, with pity on its guilty present owner, and I will make a public confession; pay the heirs of Dubois their sixteen thousand francs, and by proving my own guilt obtain the pardon of the innocent De Pierrepont. Refuse, and I will die unpenitent, for my only friend will have deserted me.'

"I accepted."

"And may Heaven bless you!" said the weeping and sobbing mother, while Madeleine hid her head in her mother's lap.

"An hour later, in presence of the English and French Consuls, four Englishmen and four Frenchmen, two priests and the Alcalde, Gaillard, or rather Besnard, made his solemn confession, which was signed by all present, sealed, and one of the two copies given to me. That copy is now in the hands of the Minister of justice, and here," drawing forth a letter "is a copy of your father's free pardon."

A wild shriek from both women was the reply.

"And now, Madeleine," said he taking the girl's hand, "before I have the chance of rivals may I renew my request for your hand and heart?"

"Monsieur, no man on earth can do for me what you have done. In an hour I have lived years of joy; that joy I owe to you. Give me my father, and the love of my whole life, if you value it, shall be your poor reward."

This sudden resolution of the young girl, so natural under the circumstances, was approved of heartily by the mother. [illegible]

—not old, but bowed by years of woe—gray-haired and pale. On each side of him sat a woman—one his wife, the other his daughter. They had been talking for hours, and were not wearied yet. A young man sat opposite, his face beaming with delight. Several times the waiter had announced breakfast, but the young man had always bade him be quiet and wait still awhile.

At length a hurried step was heard, and young Edward Dubois entered. He started as if bitten by a snake, and would have left the room.

"Stop!" said Arthur sternly, as he caught him by the wrist. "Rather kneel and ask pardon than fly. Read this;" and he put in his hand the printed bill proclaiming the injustice of Pierrepont's sentence, and his free pardon, and containing the certified confession of Besnard.

Edward Dubois read it in silence.—When he had finished he turned and grasped the convict's hand.

"No apology can make up for my conduct," he said; "but what I can do I will. This bill will satisfy the whole country."

"Monsieur," replied De Pierrepont in husky tones, "you did as but the world did. Appearances were against me, and all condemned me."

"Edward, my friend," said Arthur, "you see the danger of judging from appearances. Had De Pierrepont been truly guilty, his wife and child should have been pitied, not scorned. As it is, a vile prejudice has made these two women for fifteen years outcasts and pariahs."

Edward made no reply, as the breakfast came in. He, like all the country around, was horrified now when he found how unjust he had been; and never was wedding more tumultuously hailed and feted than that of Arthur de Verean and Madeleine de Pierrepont.

Settling the Question.

Once two ministers of the gospel were conversing on extemporaneous preaching.

"Well," said the old divine, waxing warm, "you are ruining yourself by writing sermons and reading them off.—Your congregation cannot become interested in your preaching; and if you were called on to preach unexpectedly, unless you could get hold of an old sermon, you would be confused."

The young divine used all his eloquence, but in vain, to convince the old gentleman that the written sermons expressed his own thoughts and feelings, and if called upon, he could preach extemporaneously.

"As we are of the same faith," said the minister, "suppose you try me next Sunday morning. On ascending the pulpit you can hand me a text from any part of the Bible, and I will convince you that I can preach without having looked at the text before I stood up. Likewise, I must be allowed the same privilege with you, and see who can make the best of it."

The idea seemed to delight the old gentleman, and it was immediately agreed upon.

On the following Sabbath, on mounting the pulpit, his senior brother handed him a slip of paper on which was written, "And the ass opened his mouth and spake," from which he preached a glorious sermon, chaining the attention of his delighted hearers, and charming his old friend with his eloquence.

In the afternoon the younger brother, who was sitting below the pulpit, handed his slip. After rising and opening the Bible, the old man looked sadly around—"Am I not thine ass?" Pausing a few minutes he ran his fingers through his hair, straightened his collar, blew his nose like the last trumpet, and read aloud—"Am I not thine ass?" Another pause, in which deadly silence reigned. After reading a third time—"Am I not thine ass?" he looked over the pulpit at his friend, and in a doleful voice said, "I think I am, brother!"

The Matrimonial Lottery.

A young stranger called on Dr. M'C—— one evening, while he was a pastor in New York city, to engage his services in the performance of a nuptial ceremony.

"I wish to make a bargain with you, doctor," said the young man. "I think the girl I am to marry will make a first-rate wife. If you will wait a year for your fee, and she turns out as I think she will, I'll then give you fifty dollars."

They agreed, the young couple were married, and the incident passed from the doctor's mind. At the end of a year, at the same time in the evening, the young man called again. The doctor did not recognize him at first.

"Do you not remember the bargain we made when you married me a year ago?"

"Oh yes," replied the doctor.

"Well," said the young man, "she is twice as good as I thought she was. There's one hundred dollars for you."

"What's the difference," asked a teacher in arithmetic, "between one yard and two yards?" "A fence!" said Tommy Beales. Then Tommy sat on the ruler fourteen times.

UNDER FALSE COLORS.

A Woman who was Sent to the Penitentiary as a Man.

The following is taken from the *Buffalo Express*: "On the 23d of October, 1877, William Freeman was sentenced to the Erie county penitentiary for one year and six months, having pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary and larceny.—Freeman was duly received into the penitentiary, was put to work in the shop at polishing buckles, and continued quietly and with uniform good behavior to pursue the dreary routine of prison life until yesterday morning, when a surprising discovery was made. It became known to the prison authorities, and later to police officials and a few others, that the supposed William Freeman was a woman. It seems that some friends in Alleghany county had applied to Governor Robinson for a pardon for the supposed William Freeman. In such cases it is usual for the Governor or his authorized agent to write to the keeper of the prison in which the person for whom the pardon is asked is confined, for a statement of the condition of the prisoner's health. To ascertain the physical condition of the convict a medical examination was requisite. Dr. P. Sonnick, the physician to the penitentiary, was accordingly requested to investigate the case, and at 9 o'clock yesterday morning proceeded to perform that duty. It was not very long before he hurried to Deputy Superintendent Wander with the startling information, "that's a woman." The prisoner, who for the past six months has toiled in the shops with as hard a lot of men as could easily be got together, was indeed a woman, and the astonishment of the keepers was increased by her statement that she had worn the clothes first of a boy, then of a man, from the time she was eleven years old.

As soon as the startling discovery of her sex was made, Mary Ann Schafer, as she confessed her true name to be, was removed to another and secluded part of the prison, provided with the costume prescribed for female states prisoners, and by Superintendent Baker's orders was made as comfortable as the rules would permit. She had utterly broken down, and begged the superintendent to keep her there for life rather than to allow her secret and her name to be published.

"Mary is twenty-three years of age, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches in height; with dark hair and dark eyes, but pale complexion, and weighs probably 140 pounds. Her wrists and ankles are small, but her hands and feet, from the roughest kind of labor, are large and coarse, and her waist has never known the grip of a corset. As William Freeman, she was as good looking as the average man, as Mary Schafer she is not a homely woman. Her story, told with an abundance of tears, and with much apparent feeling, was to this effect: She was born in new York city, or on shipboard. Her early home was in Allegheny county, with her mother and stepfather, whom she left when she was eleven and a half years of age. To make a living was at best a hard task for one of her age, and believing that as a boy she could do best and earn most, she dressed herself in boy's clothes and hired out to do farm work. This she has done all her life since—ploughing, chopping wood, taking care of horses and all the rough work of a farm—and although all the time in the vicinity of her home, she avers that not a soul except her mother until yesterday knew her or knew the secret so carefully preserved. The crime for which she was sentenced she claims she did not commit. She had rented a farm about five miles from her family's home, which is at Wellsville, and hired a woman to act as housekeeper. This woman's nephew committed a burglary by which he secured a quantity of dry goods, which he concealed in her barn. The property was found and she was one of the number arrested. Being committed to jail, she was employed by the sheriff to take care of his horses, and taking advantage of the opportunity for liberty which this service offered, she escaped and fled to Canada. In some manner she was induced to return. The man who committed the crime threatened her life if she betrayed his guilt, and, she says, under intimidation she made the plea of guilty.

So long has this young woman followed the ways of a man that to see her in feminine raiment would be amusing if the spectacle did not excite pity. The simplest bit of woman's work she does with all the awkwardness a rough man would show.

Looking Down the Chimney.

It is said of a man who looked down his neighbor's chimney to see what the man was cooking for supper, not only did he not find out, but was nearly blinded by the smoke.

When you hear men say: "I have watched those who profess so much religion, and I don't see that they are any better than those who do not make such a high profession," depend upon it they have got smoke in their eyes, and those whose eyes are full of smoke cannot see very clearly.

Denominational smoke is about the most blinding smoke we know of, and prevents the Gospel from taking hold of the masses more than any other one agency.

Were we to sit down by our neighbor's fire occasionally, instead of looking down his chimney, we would see many good points in his character that smoke will obscure

More snow fell during the past winter along the sunny shores of the Mediterranean than for many years.

Naturalists claim that some of the trees of the tropics give undoubted evidence of being over 4,000 years old.

Warren & Bradford Narrow Gauge Railroad.

Correspondence Oil City Derrick.

EDITOR DERRICK.—An article in your paper a week or so ago in reference to the Narrow Gauge railroad, from Warren to Bradford, does not do justice to the Warren projectors, and deserves a word of comment and explanation.

There is no rivalry between the Warren company and the Olean, Bradford and Warren company. The Warren company is composed of gentlemen, identified with the business interests of their town; and their sole and only desire is to have a railroad built to Bradford. They do not care by whom. If the Olean company are ready to build it the Warren company will gracefully retire. If the Olean company are not ready to build it, the Warren company will put their shoulders to the wheel and make the effort themselves.

It is not a fact that the Warren company have located their line on the south of the river to favor a toll bridge that communicates with the town side. They have located on the south side because the line can be constructed $50,000 cheaper than on the north side—avoiding expensive right of way and two costly bridges. And they have no need of the toll bridge, as they have completed full arrangements with the Pennsylvania Railroad company to use the Philadelphia and Erie track two miles out of Warren, by laying a third rail, which permits them to cross the Allegheny railroad bridge, and run into the Philadelphia and Erie railroad passenger station, and to use that company's side tracks, etc., for transfer of freight.

A proposition was made by the Warren company to build one-half of the road from Warren north if the Olean company would build the other half. This was accepted by the Olean company, but from information since had it is evident they lack the disposition or ability to carry out this engagement.

A road from Warren to Bradford, making a direct connection of the lower Oil Region with Bradford, is no longer a question of propriety, but a matter of necessity. The entire passenger travel and freight traffic between these points would be carried on along the Allegheny road. Oil City, from its location and prominence as an oil center, is greatly concerned in the success of this enterprise. The Warren company are now pushing their survey through to Bradford. If they undertake to build the whole line to Bradford, they hope the capitalists of Oil City and vicinity will generously come forward and render substantial aid, and they can with good grace ask such help, as it is clear that the enormous business of a completed road from Warren to Bradford would pay heavy dividends to its owners.

Bots.

Irish Humor.

The Drawer is indebted to a friend in Colorado for the following, which was related to him by a Catholic priest, Father H——, who in his mission work in Southern Colorado and New Mexico met with many extraordinary people and incidents. On one occasion he happened to hold service in a small out-of-the-way chapel, where the varied duties of janitor were performed by a gentleman of Irish descent. During the service a child was brought forward for baptism. It may not be generally known that in the Roman Catholic ritual the priest, before touching the child with water, puts a little salt into the water in the presence of the congregation. The janitor, however, had prepared the water beforehand, according to his own idea as to the proportion of salt, when the priest, having omitted to place the salt in readiness, whispered softly to his attendant: "Pat, will you please to get the salt?"

Pat responded in an audible whisper from behind his hand: "Sure an' I put it in already."

Father H——, not fully understanding, repeated his whispered request.

Again Pat replied, more audibly than before, and with slight dudgeon in his tone: "Sure an' I put it in, I tell ye."

"But the ritual demands that the priest should perform the ceremony before the congregation," explained Father H——, considerably annoyed at the janitor's obstinacy.

The Irishman procured the salt, and handing it to the priest, electrified him, as well as the congregation, with the remark, delivered in a surly growl: "Here ye are; bedad ye can make a pickle of it if ye want to!"—*Harper's Magazine.*

Ideal and Real.

The Rev. Dr. John Hall suggests that an artist might paint "Enchantment" as a bright young girl, on the deck of an ocean steamer at the wharf, chattering to the friends around her, grandly directing her bouquets to be sent to her room, full of the joys of the voyage and her first trip to Europe. He adds that a companion picture might be called "Disenchanted," representing the same girl, "like Jonah, gone down to the sides of the ship, not like *him*, asleep, but with great inward trouble, like that in the venerable sea story, 'The first hour I feared I would die; the second hour I feared I would not.' The faded bouquets, disordered garments, and a very crowded foreground would complete the scene."

PUTTING out a fire is a queer job to let out on contract, but it has been done in the case of the burning coal mine near Pittsburgh. The fire has been raging for two months, and the contractor is to get $35,000 if he extinguishes it before it does a certain amount of damage. His plan is to dig a deep trench and fill it with stones thus making a barrier.

IN China one hundred cancelled postage stamps will buy a baby.

STATE NEWS.

—Bucks county is behind in corn planting.

—There is growing clover two feet high in West Chester.

—The social evil is on the increase west of the Alleghenies.

—Pittsburg is the originator of the classic peanut festival.

—Horse stealing is a successful business in Lawrence county.

—Scarlet fever is raging in Broad Top city, Huntingdon county.

—Titusville boasts of clover ten inches high in its suburban fields.

—A large rat destroyed twenty pairs of fancy chickens for a West Chester poulterer.

—The anthracite furnaces of the Lebanon and Schuylkill Valleys are filling large orders.

—A new broker's telegraph line was opened between Titusville and Oil City, last week.

—Mrs. Hughes, of M'Connelsburg, has reached her ninety-eighth year, and sews without glasses.

—George Francis Train can't draw an audience in the oil regions. People are tired of his "gibble gobble."

—A delegation of ten gentlemen will leave Franklin county, on the 10th day of May, to attend the Paris Fair.

—Five thousand young trout were placed in the streams of Venango county by the State Fish Warden, last week.

—Treasurer Stebbins, of Crawford county, has been sued by the commissioners for a deficit of four thousand dollars.

—Farmers throughout the State are unloading their old wheat. The abundance of the new, as now indicated, is the cause.

—The Huntingdon *Globe* complains that too many lawyers in that region indulge in too many irreligious sentimentalities.

—The Oil City exchange was opened with prayer at its dedication, and it will be closed with curses very often in the future.

—The Reading railroad employees are being paid for their February services; but no telling when they will be paid for March.

—A herd of thoroughbred Holstien cattle, consisting of ten heifers and two bulls, were received at Meadville, from Europe, last week.

—The water company of Lewistown has been compelled to relay some of its main pipe, on account of the demand for a supply.

—The grass crop along the West Branch of the Susquehanna is fully four weeks ahead of last spring in color as well as in growth.

—Capt. George C. Kelley, Chief Clerk in the Adjutant General's office, purchased a residence in Lewisburg recently for $2,500.

—The rocs were a failure in Venango county last week. Spavined horses and professional gamblers were the attractions of the week.

—The mills at Williamsport have been compelled to suspend for a short time, on account of an interruption to rafting out of the boom.

—All the licenses applied for in Altoona were granted by the court of Blair county. Landlords of that locality must be reputable citizens.

—The managers of the Jersey Shore cemetery have erected a magnificent monument to the memory of Mark Slonaker, Esq., the founder and donor of the cemetery.

—Editor Riley, of the Hughesville *Journal*, has put up a telephone between his office and the Fox hotel, and he always knows when a candidate comes in to "set 'em up."

—The respective wives of two brothers, named John and James Houck, the former living at Latrobe, the latter at Altoona, presented their husbands with twins the other day.

—Mifflin county has two survivors of the war of 1812—Wm. P. Elliott, Esq., probably also the oldest living printer living in the Juniata valley—and Bernard Everhart.

—A man named Hill, of Washington county, walks from Hill Station to church, a distance of five miles, every Sunday, and has not missed two consecutive Sundays in twenty years.

—Judge Rockafeller, of Northumberland county, in view of the large number of trials to come off at the June term of court, has ordered the jury commissioners to draw 108 jurors.

—A number of three-card monte gamblers swindled a passenger on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad of $800 in money. What was the passenger endeavoring to do with the monte men?

—Cambria county boasts of a female butcher—a lady who not only slaughters sheep, calves and even bullocks with her own hands, but cuts the meat and then sells it from a wagon to all who wish to purchase.

—The Somerset *Commercial* has received positive information from private, but perfectly reliable sources, that the Somerset railroad will be completed during the present season by its extension to Johnstown.

—Washington's headquarters at Valley Forge are to be purchased and held as public property, the site and building to be preserved as near as possible in its original condition, and thus held as a place of historic resort.

—A horse while standing in the streets of Lebanon, Saturday, was stricken with paralysis. He was taken charge of by a physician, who in a few hours applied such remedies as restored the muscular action of the animal.

—It is noticed by railroad employees that there are not so many tramps injured on the track as formerly, the pilgrims either being more expert or more cautious than heretofore. There is a regular camping ground for these nomads near Altoona.

—Dr. S. W. Primrose, ex-Prothonotary of Luzerne county, has presented a claim to the commissioners for $26,863. Illegally paid to one A. P. Barber. It will make a splendid job for the lawyers, as the commissioners will only refund on legal compulsion.

—The trial list for the May term of the United States Court to be held at Pittsburg has been made out. It contains 50 bills of indictment, 16 civil cases, 11 suits against National banks, 14 in bankruptcy, 18 objections to discharge and 11 suits by assignments—in all, 127 cases. The term commences on Monday, May 6th.

THE McKEAN MINER.

H. F. Barbour - - - *Editor.*

Smethport, Pa., May 9, 1878.

Republican State Convention.

HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE, HARRISBURG, March 27, 1878.—In pursuance of a resolution of the Republican State Committee, adopted at a meeting held in Harrisburg this day, a Republican State Convention (to be composed of delegates from each Senatorial and Representative District to the number to which each district is entitled in the Legislature) is hereby called to meet in the city of Harrisburg, at 12 o'clock, noon, on WEDNESDAY, MAY 15th, 1878, for the purpose of nominating one person for Governor, one person for Lieutenant-Governor, one person for Secretary of Internal affairs, and one person for Judge of the Supreme Court. By order of the committee.

WILLIAM P. WILSON, Chairman.
JOHN A. SHULL, Secretary.

THE Buffalo *Express*, in its last Saturday's issue, warns Buffalonian capitalists to "look before they leap" into any pipe line projects from the oil district in response to the urging of "seductive" oil princes. Buffalo *may* "look" and hesitate so long that there will be no opportunity to "leap."

WHEN the question is thoroughly settled as to what the President really means by his wonderful civil service order, we shall be happy to promulgate it for the benefit of anxious office holders. At present the thing is very much muddled, and our advice to them is to have no opinion—or resign.

THE House has cut down the force in the Public Land Office to 161 clerks, though there were 184 in 1855 when the business was very much less than at present, and though business in the office is now nine months behind. This is not economy—it is merely reckless legislation which will work injury and loss to the Government and to individuals.

THE House of Representatives having refused to make the usual appropriations for the expenses of the public schools of the District of Columbia, 20,000 children and 300 teachers find the schools closed against them in Washington. This despicable action is perfectly consistent with a Democratic House. They were always indifferent to education—unless in making appropriations for sectarian schools.

IT IS stated in dispatches from Philadelphia that representative politicians are there in large numbers from all the three parties, and that at a caucus of the leading republicans it was decided to nominate a straight republican ticket at Harrisburg on the 15th, with Hoyt at its head. The decision to nominate a straight republican ticket, which we suppose to mean that there will be no disgraceful dickering with the third party managers, is eminently wise and will meet the approval of every consistent republican. That sort of political tactics belongs wholly to the democratic policy, and for our part we are in favor of allowing them a complete monopoly of it. The trade mark of that party is "We are always ready to buy or sell," and we believe in respecting their patent grant. We hope the decision to press the nomination of Hoyt at the head of the ticket is only arrived at with a view to the success and good of the party. Col. Hoyt's "claims" or affiliations with those who manage affairs should have not the least particle of weight. If he is the straight republican who can poll the more votes, for that reason he should be "pressed" and for no other. The dispatches further state that it was learned that Hoyt could be nominated on the first ballot, without counting twenty votes from Philadelphia and eight from Pittsburgh. This fact undoubtedly tended to secure the decision before mentioned. Such being the case, it is to be hoped that the delegates represent fully the wishes of their constituents.

THE dreadful catastrophe at the thrifty city of Minneapolis, involving the destruction of property valued at over one million of dollars, and the loss of a great many lives, has caused a profound sensation throughout the country. The accident is attributed to an explosion caused by the ignition of the dust generated in a patent middling's purifier in one of the great flouring mills at that place, which seems to be a new source of danger.—Whether the theory is a correct one or not, it is evident that some tremendous power was suddenly generated, or it could not have demolished the large mill instantly and caused the destruction of several others. The shock of the explosion is described as having been terrific, and buildings situated a long distance from the scene of the disaster were badly shattered. Apart from the appalling loss of life, the destruction of those magnificent flouring mills—The pride and glory of Minneapolis—is a terrible blow to the city as well as the owners, and it will be months before they can recover from the shock.

The Democracy as a Tail-Piece.

WHATEVER political movement the Republicans have inaugurated and carried through to complete success, the Democracy, however much they may at first have opposed, eventually come trailing behind and adopt and indorse. We need only point to the abolition of slavery, the constitutional amendments, and other great measures now become a part of the permanent policy of the Nation. But imagine the Democracy, now that resumption is accomplished, coming forward, say next year, indorsing it as a completed act, and protesting against any attempt to disturb the business interests of the country by reopening the question. The scene is too affecting to contemplate.—Burlington *Hawkeye*.

Senatorial Delegate.

Geo. A. Berry, Esq., of Bradford, has been appointed, with the concurrence of the chairmen of the county committees of the three counties, as Senatorial delegate to the Republican State convention, from this Senatorial district, comprising the counties of Tioga, McKean and Potter. No more excellent appointment could have been made. Mr. Berry is eminently a representative of the intelligence and best elements of our oil district, and is well qualified to represent the wishes of this the most important industrial and commercial interest of the county or district. With Mr. Rogers and Mr. Berry, this county and Senatorial district will be well and ably represented in the convention.

Figures for Workingmen.

From the Cleveland Leader.

The industrious reporters have knocked all the inspiration out of Fernando Wood's free trade anti-tariff crusade by carefully polling the House on the main question of modifying the tariff at all this session. They find that while 135 representatives are in favor of revising the tariff, 156 will vote against it. The Senate has also a substantial majority opposed to the Wood measure, so that it is a dead cock in the pit without even coming to a vote. Of the twenty members of the House from Ohio, eight are recorded in favor of the bill and twelve against it; strict party vote, the Republicans opposing the measure and the Democrats supporting it. We invite the attention of the workingmen of Ohio to this significant record. The Wood Tariff bill is a blow at the prosperity of American manufactures. It is a Democratic measure, pure and simple; gotten up in the interest of certain Eastern importers and the free trade planters of the South.

Whenever there is an election on hand in Ohio we hear the Democratic press and orators making a great parade over the devotion of the Democratic party to the interests of the workingmen. Their platforms always contain a honeyed clause of buncombe, protesting that the Democratic party is the party of the people. It is the party that earns its bread by the sweat of its brow and carries its dinner in a tin pail. Nothing is easier, of course, than for a convention of demagogues to pass resolutions and frame platforms glowing with sympathy and respect for the workingmen. But when it comes to a real test like this vote on the Wood Tariff bill, where does the tearful Democracy stand? We give below the canvass of the House on the Wood measure, and we advise every workingman to cut it out and save it to show to the first Democratic politician who comes around him this summer singing the old song that the Democracy is the party of the laboring-man. The complete list is as follows:

	For	Ag't.		For	Ag't.
Maine		5	Tennessee	8	2
New Hampshire		3	Indiana	6	9
Vermont		3	Illinois	10	9
Massachusetts		11	Missouri	10	3
Rhode Island		2	Arkansas	1	
Connecticut	3	2	Michigan	1	6
New York	19	21	Florida	1	1
New Jersey	7		Texas	6	
Pennsylvania	20		Iowa		9
Delaware	1		Wisconsin	1	2
Maryland	4	2	California	1	3
Virginia	9		Oregon		
North Carolina	8		Kansas		3
South Carolina	3	2	W't Virginia	3	
Georgia	9		Minnesota		3
Alabama	8		Nevada		1
Mississippi	6		Nebraska		1
Louisiana	5		Colorado	1	
Ohio	12	12			
Kentucky	10		Total	135	158

Whole number of members.....293
Against the bill.....158
For the bill.....135

Majority against the bill.....23

To get the full force of this exhibit the reader should look down the list and compare the Republican with the Democratic States. In fourteen Southern States, all solidly Democratic, there are 92 votes for Wood's Free Trade bill to 9 against it. No lies or demagoguery on the stump should be permitted to stand against figures like these.

STATE POLITICAL NOTES.

WALLACE openly declares that Dill will be nominated.

THE Philadelphia *Press* inclines to support Grow for Governor.

MR. W. W. Reed announces himself as a candidate for congress in the Erie district.

THE Northumberland county Democratic convention will be held on the 17th of June.

THE Republican convention, Harrisburg, will be held in the opera house in that city.

THE Nationals of Westmoreland county have instructed their delegates to vote for Curtin for Governor.

IT is reported that seventeen hundred names are on the rolls of the National party in Huntingdon county.

IN the Sixth legislative district of Luzerne there are six claimants for the two seats in the Pittsburgh convention.

HON. FRANCIS HUGHES thinks Judge Agnew will be the nominee for Supreme Judge in the convention of Nationals.

PROFESSOR DAVIS, it is reported, has decided not to be a candidate for congress in the Northumberland district.

JUDGE STERRETT, of Allegheny, has selected his delegates. They stand: seven for Hoyt, six for Grow and five for Wickersham.

FOUR counties have instructed for Stone for lieutenant governor, who thus far leads in the contest for the minor offices on the ticket.

IT is expected that the Lycoming delegates to the Republican convention will stand on first ballot: Two for Rawle and one for Wickersham.

As far as heard from about sixty of the delegates of the Republican state convention are instructed to support Hon. J. P. Wickersham for Governor.

JEROME B. POTTER and O. B. Lowell, have been elected delegates from Tioga county to the Republican State Convention with instructions to strongly support Galusha A. Grow for Governor.

THE Potter county Nationals have elected the following named delegates to the State Convention: Representative delegate, Albert Lyman; alternate, David White; Senatorial delegate, A. J. Barnes.

THE *Argus* of last week announced with great flourish of trumpets, that Col. Piolett had addressed the Greenback Club of this place, and enrolled himself as a member of the Club. His membership was of short duration, as on Friday evening last, after a spirited discussion the Colonel was unceremoniously kicked out of the organization, with the intimation that the members do not propose to become the "cat's paws" to haul out Democratic chestnuts for any one. We have no sympathy with the Greenback movement, but the club certainly deserve credit for their independence in rebuking the greatest political demagogue that ever cursed any party.—Bradford *Reporter*.

H. V. REDFIELD, the political correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial*, has been looking over the field and concludes that a gain of twenty-one Representatives in the next Congress for the Republican side is within the bounds of reasonable probability. Fourteen gained would make the House Republican.

THE only way to induce Congress to adjourn promptly seems to be to employ Hendrick B. Wright to make a few remarks. The Capitol empties the minute he begins to talk.

A GREAT DISASTER.

Terrible Explosion and Loss of Life.

LOSS OF A MILLION AND A HALF.

Seventeen Persons Known to be Killed—The Milling Business of Minneapolis Destroyed.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 2.—At 7 this evening the city was shaken as by an earthquake by a terrific explosion, which was promptly traced to the groups of great flouring mills in what is known as the platform just about St. Anthony's Falls where the entire flouring district of the city is concentrated. The explosion came from the great Washburn mill, from which a column of flame was seen to shoot up several hundred feet, followed by a crash which crushed the immense structure like an egg-shell.

The secondary explosions instantly destroyed Thompson and Hoyt and Humboldt mills, and the flames immediately burst out communicating to the Galaxy mills, those of Pettit, Robinson & Co., Cahill, Ankeny & Co., L. Day & Sons, Day & Rollis, Buell, Newton & Co., Washburn A. & B. Mills, and lesser structures down the bank of the river nearly to the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad shops.

The destruction from the shock of the explosion extended much further, glass being wrecked for several squares, and buildings shaken throughout the city.

At 8:20 the fire was raging within these limits, and the firemen were working to subdue the flames.

The immediate theory of the explosion is that it took place in the gas generated in the patent middlings purifier process. The loss of life is undoubtedly great, but full details are lacking in the confusion that surrounds the scene.

The first rumors made the dead seventy to eighty, but this is not borne out by inquiry. The explosion took place at the hour of changing day for night hands, and many of both were undoubtedly in the building.

Twenty-two men went on in the Washburn mill at 6:30, none of whom have been heard from up to 8:30. Many others of the day force must have been in the building.

LATER.—Investigation confirms the opinion that the first estimates of the loss of life were exagerated. The number of dead is now placed at seventeen. There were many thrilling incidents and narrow escapes.

It now appears that most of the day force had gone home and only the smaller night force remained. The loss to property is estimated at $1,500,000.

One million falls upon the milling interest. The loss throughout the city by the breaking of glass, etc., is $10,000.

Five mills and a planing mill were destroyed besides the adjoining property, including 87 out of 197 runs of stone in the city.

Mercantile Appraisement.

List of Venders of Merchandise, Keepers of Restaurants, Billiard and Bagatelle Tables, with their classifications for McKean county, for 1878.

Annin Township.

	Class	Rate
James Cremin	14	7 75
A M Gillett	14	7 75
W H & J S Taylor	14	7 75
W H Taylor & Son	14	7 75

Bradford Borough.

Thomas Connelly	14	7 75
H Chamberlain	14	7 75
Evans & McDonald	14	7 75
C N Beggio	14	7 75
Robbins & Eighous	14	7 75
Green Riggal	14	7 75
A T Herrington	14	7 75
E J Carew & Co	14	7 75
J L Perrigle	14	7 75
Whitney & Wheeler	9	25 25
Bailhe & Walker	10	30 75
Philip Nusbaum	11	16 25
L Nusbaum	14	7 75
C W Grant	13	10 75
W & G H Willis	12	10 25
Berks Bros.	12	22 25
E T Hazzard	14	7 75
Weeks & Bro.	12	13 25
H Cohn	13	10 75
De Forest Weld	12	13 25
Owen & Wilcox	11	15 75
George A Groves	13	10 75
M C Kilburn	14	7 75
Brown & Friend	14	7 75
Joseph Schlesinger	13	10 75
Joseph Schlesinger	13	10 75
Alexander Simpson	14	7 75
S C Fitch	14	7 75
D Love	14	7 75
W A Hutchinson	13	10 75
J M Place	14	7 75
Havenor Bros.	12	15 25
R Frisbee	13	7 75
M McDonald	14	7 75
Zork & Co	14	7 75
R Jacobs	14	7 75
E Black	14	7 75
Siegfried & Davis	14	7 75
Hall, Wright & Co	13	10 75
Appleton & Rogers	13	10 75
W & J Duke	13	10 75
S L Rowley	14	7 75
Thomas Flanagan	13	10 75
R J Farnum	12	10 75
O'Donnel & Sons	13	10 75
McMaster & Hamilton	12	10 75
Sullivan & Brumham	14	7 75
J C Hughes	14	7 75
E W Benjamin	14	7 75
G Hines	14	7 75
Cornell & Jenkins	14	7 75
Conner & Son	14	7 75
J H Tiffany	12	13 25
Oil Well Supply Co., Limited	9	25 75
J E Butts Jr.	12	13 25
Dick & Church	11	15 75
Smith Bros & Co	13	10 75
F C McElroy	14	7 75
Hoyo Simmons	12	13 25
Brown Bros.	14	7 75
George B Stewart	13	10 75
Lockwood & Haggerty	14	7 75
A Crawford	14	7 75
E Kelsey	14	7 75
Borchart, Daggett & Co.	12	13 25
Albert DeGolia	14	7 75
J H D'Lanbaugh	14	7 75
M Priester	13	10 75
J W Humphrey	9	25 75
F A Newell	14	7 75
Aug. Newell	12	13 25
C W De Hocher	13	10 75
Orville Barney	14	7 75
C D Webster	12	13 25
J Moorehouse	13	10 75
L Emery, Jr., & Co	12	13 25
M H Tehmann	14	7 75
George Buringhoff	14	7 75
M Rualander	11	15 75
S Solomon	13	10 75
F Engelor	14	7 75
Simon & Barney	12	13 25
Wentworth & Co	14	7 75
F W Davis	14	7 75
T Kalin	13	10 75
A R Stewart	14	7 75
D E Mattham	14	7 75
W J Ennis & Co	13	10 75
Robertson & Carr	14	7 75
M L Pomeroy	14	7 75

Bradford Township.

State Line.

L J Parker	14	7 75
J A Barnes	14	7 75

Derrick City.

Knight & Hyatt	14	7 75
Crawford & Hobbs	13	10 75
Oil Well Supply Co., Limited	12	13 25
Shean & Holt	14	7 75
P Peterson	13	10 75
T Babb	13	10 75
N Grossmayers	14	7 75
Whalon & Geist	14	7 75
J Goldstein & Co	14	7 75
A Drake	14	7 75
D J Smith	14	7 75
S Holden	14	7 75

Gilmor City.

Wood & Gregory	14	7 75
C E Mattocks	14	7 75
C D Wilson	14	7 75
L Laithner	14	7 75
Shean & Holt	14	7 75
Oil Well supply Co., Limited	12	13 25
A Houghtaling	14	7 75
H A Mead	14	7 75
M A Webster	12	13 25
Bowen & Post	14	7 75
S Walker	14	7 75
Owens & Wilcox	12	13 25
Leander McDonald	14	7 75
G W Hutchings	14	7 75
G W Skattebom & Co	14	7 75
Kendall & Co	14	7 75
Coleman & Bell	13	10 75
Ranne Bros.	14	7 75
R Hatch	14	7 75
C S Whittlesey	14	7 75
M Pomino	14	7 75

Rock Rock.

W Rinehart	14	7 75
Shean & Holt	14	7 75
Chase, Hall & Co	12	13 25
L V Leech	14	7 75
M T Bostian	14	7 75
H O Drake	14	7 75
Buchanan & St. John	14	7 75
J I Berry	14	7 75
Oil Well supply Co., Limited	12	13 25

Sawyer City.

L Emery, Jr., & Co	12	13 25
Oil Well Supply Co. Limited	12	13 25
Hurd & Davenport	11	15 75
L Emery	14	7 75
Williams & Kilbury	13	10 75
I T Woodside & Co	12	13 25
J F Wood	12	10 75
C D Voorhees & Co	14	7 75
Harry Bodine	14	7 75

Dr Coudersport.

C B Palmer	14	7 75
Williams & Wilber	13	10 75
M V Smith	14	7 75

Custer City.

Eddie & Bryant	14	7 75
W W Strocker	14	7 75
B B Fitzsimmons	12	13 25
G E Watrous	14	7 75
S H Z Smith	14	7 75
A V C Newton	14	7 75
W C Sheets	14	7 75
George H Churchill & Bro.	14	7 75
Buckney Bros.	13	10 75
Pierce & Eddy	14	7 75
W H Griffith & Co	13	10 75
George S Stewart	14	7 75

Big Shanty.

Charles Osborn	14	7 75

Ceres Township.

C H Smith estate	14	7 75
J B Glenson	14	7 75
Rice, M'Leon	14	7 75
F E Teal	14	7 75

Eldred Township.

Allegany Bridge.

Barden & Roberts	13	10 75
Colegrove & Marsh	14	7 75
H G Spiller	14	7 75
H Hallis & Co	13	10 75
E W Doane	14	7 75
W A Young	14	7 75
W Archibald & Co	13	10 75
W H Coats	14	7 75
Henry Elsher	14	7 75
L L Dennis	14	7 75

State Line.

H D Ault	14	7 75

Larrabee.

D C Young	13	10 75
W H Hudson	14	7 75

Kendall Borough.

Hall & Mallory	14	7 75
M H Schmidts	14	7 75
E Buck	14	7 75
Applebee & Fisher	13	10 75
Charles Sinats	14	7 75
Barchard, Daggett & Co	14	7 75
James Roper	14	7 75
Z E Douglass	14	7 75
Mark Hersh	14	7 75
J C Palmer	12	13 25
J W Sherman	13	10 75
F N Taylor	13	10 75
G W Neff	14	7 75
J Bartlett & Co	14	7 75
H H Benson	14	7 75
G F Spencer	14	7 75
Graves & Mullin	14	7 75
Jesse Mackey	14	7 75
P V Edgett	14	7 75
R J Culver	14	7 75
David Levy	14	7 75
Marcus Wall	14	7 75
Buffalo Coal Co	12	13 25
G E Wheten	13	7 75

Keating Township

Farmer's Valley.

A J Otto	14	7 75
Ed. McCoy	14	7 75

Smethport Depot.

James Tracy	14	7 75
Godden & McClure	14	7 75

Lafayette Township.

J E Bates, Jr	13	10 75

Liberty Township.

L H Dolley & Co	13	10 75
A Carlson	14	7 75
Dalrymple & Bard	13	10 75
Godley & Camp	14	7 75
M H Manning	14	7 75
F W Hegarth	14	7 75
A F Bard & Co	14	7 75
A P Bard	14	7 75
F D Bemar	14	7 75
Bullis Bros	14	7 75
B C Gallup	14	7 75
C W Bishop	14	7 75
Hooker Bros	14	7 75
M A Lillibridge	14	7 75
Arnold, McDowell & Co	13	10 75
L L Lillibridge	14	7 75
C A Dolley	14	7 75

Norwich Township.

W J Colegrove & Son	14	7 75

Otto Township.

Whitesville.

M L Bartlett	14	7 75
E Jackson	14	7 75
Abner Morse	14	7 75
J F McGilbery	14	7 75

Duke Centre.

F J Covesy	14	7 75
Philpin Bentley	14	7 75
Anderson, Otis & Co	14	13 75
James Keyer	14	7 75
J W Green	14	7 75
B Palmer	13	10 75
Chas Crane	13	10 75
Richard Bowker	14	7 75
Williams & Bristol	14	7 75
Hoffman & Dairymple	14	7 75
Johnston & Lovel	13	10 75
Decker & Co	14	7 75
F D Chandler	14	7 75
Prindell & Pettite	14	7 75
Fletcher & Co	14	7 75
McGuire & Hill	14	7 75
C H Rathbun	14	7 75

Sergeant Township.

Hamlin & Townsend	13	10 75
Lawrence Bayer	14	7 75
Chas Newberg	14	7 75

Smethport Borough.

J C Hamlin	14	7 75
A B Armstrong	14	7 75
M L Armstrong	14	7 75
M A Sprague	14	7 75
W S Brownell	14	7 75
J F Wenzel	14	7 75
C L Douglas	14	7 75
L Rogers	14	7 75
W T Cullar	14	7 75
Haskill & Gifford	12	13 25
W D Gallup	14	7 75

Wetmore Township.

Joshua Davis	14	7 75
C C Gillis	14	7 75
Robt Lafferty	14	7 75
W E Blew	14	7 75
Bell Bros	14	7 75
J G & D Curtis	14	7 75
L B Hoffman	14	7 75
J D Leonard	14	7 75
Chas Lay	14	7 75

Bradford Borough.

[Billiards.]

Palmiter & Jelm—3 tables		7 75
Benedict & Green, 3 "		30 75
Hunniston & Shaver, 3 "		20 75
Chas H Kuhne, 3 "		20 75
John Hirrin, 3 "		20 75
Mitchell & Anderson 5 "		30 75
" " Ten pin Alley		

Kendall Borough.

Abbey & Gunn, 4 tables		60 75

Derrick City.

E Storum & Willard, 3 tables		30 75

Gilmor City.

Martin McNeulty, 1 pigeonhole table.		30 75
Miller & Gable 5 tables		50 75

Red Rock.

B E Norton 3 tables		60 75

Custer City.

Thos. Campbell 4 tables		60 75

Ceres Township.

W L Starkweather 1 table		30 75

Eldred Township.

Ed Mullin 2 tables		40 75

Otto township.

Duke Center.

Sullivan & Bacon 4 tables		60 75

Smethport Borough.

G. W. Sartwell (2 billard tables)		40 75

[Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers.]

Bradford Borough.

Ewen & Stone		50 75

Gilmor City.

E H Hoffman		50 75

Bradford Borough.

[Restaurants.]

M Ball & Co	8	5 75

Kendall Borough.

W F Mason	8	5 75
G W Kimball	14	7 75
H G Wescott	8	5 75

Bradford township.

Sawyer City.

E B Steward	8	5 75
J G Martin	8	5 75

Custer City.

Dayton & Birker, [Eating-House.]		20 75
L B Carrington	8	5 75

Liberty township.

L B Bishop	8	5 75

I certify the above and foregoing to be a true list of dealers of merchandize in the county of McKean, as appraised by me for the year 1878.

Notice is hereby given that a Court of Appeals will be held at the Commissioners' office, in the Borough of Smethport, on the 3rd day of May, 1878, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. at which time and place all persons aggrieved by the foregoing appraisement will be heard and such statements made as are deemed just and proper.

E. V. CRADWICK, Mercantile Appraiser.
Smethport, Pa., April 29, 1878

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of all kinds,

Parlor and Chamber Sets,

PICTURE FRAMES, ETC.,

of every description constantly on hand and made to order.

Mechanic St. *SMETHPORT, PA.*

Wm. Specht, Prop'r.

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Now offer to their old and new customers an entirely

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OF

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AND

DRESS GOODS, &C.,

OF EVERY STYLE

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Samaritan's Gift, the most Certain Remedy ever used.

Yes, a positive cure! Balsam Copaiba and Mercury discarded. Used in the United States Hospitals, and recommended by the surgeons. POST HOSPITAL, Fort Marshall, Baltimore. I have used the Samaritan Remedy, and have found it effectual

ALFRED C. BOWERS,
Surgeon 5th New York Volunteers.

Only ten pills to be taken to effect a cure. They are entirely Vegetable, having no smell or unpleasant taste, will not in any way injure the stomach or bowels of the most delicate. Cures in from two to four days. No exposure, no treat. no change whatever. Let those who have despaired of being cured at once try the Samaritan's Gift. Sent by mail to any address. Price Male package, $2.00; Female, $3.00. Sold by druggists. DESMOND & Co., Proprietors, 925 Race St., Phila. Pa.

New Advertisements.

A. A. CRAIG,

Horney and Counsellor at Law,

AND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Kendall Creek, Pa.

HAIR DRESSING!

HAIR SWITCHES, made from combings, puffs, frizes, &c., made to order in the most

DURABLE

and

LATEST STYLES.

Ladies are invited to call at her residence in Mechanicsburg.

15-23-3m MRS. JANE LUCAS.

New Furniture Rooms.

The undersigned has opened in his new building on

Mechanic St., Near Iron Bridge,

a new Furniture Warehouse, where he will keep a full stock of

PARLOR AND CHAMBER FURNITURE,

and

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

Of All Kinds,

GOOD STOCK AND FAIR PRICES.

Patronage solicited.

15 23tf ROBERT WOLTERS, Prop'r.

Smethport & McK. & B. Depot 'Bus

Stages run to and from all regular trains. Until further notice, as convenience will favor the *Bennett House* and *Wright House* as follows:

7:45 and 11:15 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

All orders left at the post office or either of the above hotels will receive prompt attention.

F. VICKERY, Proprietor.

Important to Horse Breeders.

The subscriber would respectfully announce to the owners and breeders of horses of McKean county, that the celebrated

THOROUGHBRED STALLION,

Hambletonian Prince, Jr.,

is now in charge of Mr. C. F. Adams, and will make the season of 1878 in Smethport and vicinity, as advertised by handbills.

All admirers of well bred stock are respectfully invited to examine this horse, or his stock, on the farms of

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THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., May 9, 1878.

Lodge Directory.

McKEAN LODGE, No. 298, A. Y. M., meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month, at 7½ o'clock p. m., at Masonic Hall, Main street.
W. T. CALLAR, W. M.
C. M. SMITH, Secy.

Churches.

METHODIST.—J. C. WHITESIDE, pastor. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 9 a. m., and Preaching at 10½ a. m., and 7 p. m. Class Meeting at 11½ a. m. Prayer Meetings on Thursday evenings at 7 p. m.

Preaching at Norwich and at Cole Creek at 2 p. m. every alternate Sabbath.

BAPTIST.—O. J. ROSE, pastor. Services Sunday at 10½ a. m., and at 7½ p. m. Sunday School immediately after the morning service. Preaching once in two weeks at the Hafner school house.

EPISCOPAL.—H. Q. MILLER, Rector. Services on the 2d and 4th Sunday of each month at 10½ a. m. and 7½ p. m. Sabbath School at 9 a. m.

St. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Rev. J. F. SMITH, pastor. Mass at 11 a.m. Service at 11.30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each alternate Sunday at Smethport and Clermont.

Official Directory.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY.

President Judge.—H. W. Williams, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.
Additional Judges.—S. F. Wilson, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.
Associate Judges.—W. S. Brownell, Smethport; F. N. Burnham, Eldred.
District Attorney.—P. H. Cotter, Port Allegany.
Sheriff.—C. S. King, Smethport.
Prothonotary.—C. R. Sartwell, Smethport. *Deputy.*—J. R. Chadwick.
County Treasurer.—W. D. Gallup, Smethport.
Commissioners.—Benj. Bunker, Orlando Gallup, Wm. A. Young.
Com'rs Clerk.—Jno. R. Chadwick, Smethport.
Auditors.—O. D. Coleman, J. L. Bean, M. W. Fisher.
Regular Terms of Court.—Fourth Monday in February and September, and Third Monday of June and December.

Borough Officers.

Burgess—M L Armstrong
Asst Burgess—H L Mosey
Council—G M Smith B C Corwin Wm Specht S A Backus N W Abbey J C Hamlin
Constable—H. L. Burlingame
School Directors—L. Rogers D D Hamlin H L Knapp E G Brown R Sartwell L Burlingame
Poormasters—E F Waller O W Gallup
Justices—G M Smith T Ford
Auditors—C K Sartwell M A Sprague A B Armstrong

HERE AND HEREABOUTS.

Our Traveling Agent.

Mr. J. WILLETT SMITH is the authorized agent and solicitor of the MINER. He is authorized to solicit subscriptions, advertising and job work, and to make collections. Orders through him will receive prompt and careful attention. We bespeak for him a courtious reception from all our personal and business friends.

—Dr. Raub, the dentist, will be at the Bennett House May 15th and 16th.

—Eleven prisoners in the jail on Monday, and three more on the way.

—The headquarters of the Western Union Telegraph office are now in the Bennett House.

—Since May 1st, fifty-seven drays have paid into the Bradford borough exchequer $10 each for licenses.

—The Catholic Society of Bradford propose to build a handsome church edifice the present season.

—The new depot of the Elevated Railway in Bradford will be 62 feet long, 22 feet wide and two stories in height.

—The attention of the public is called to the card of Ed. Seil, who has opened to the public a hotel opposite the B. N. Y. & P. R. R. depot, Buffalo.

—Two of our merchants, Messrs. W. D. Gallup and W. S. Brownell, have been investing in *new show cases*, which adds very much to the attractions of their stores.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Blakeslee, of Olean, have received one of Heaven's choicest blessings. It is a girl, and Corna and Frank are just too happy and proud for anything.

—A good character is worth striving for and having. All of our exchanges speak approvingly of the selection of S. W. Smith as District Attorney.

—Several prominent Port Allegany politicians were observed to be moving about among the school Directors on Tuesday. Of course they had no interest in the election.

—It is the easiest thing in the world to start a newspaper. Quite another to establish and maintain it. A good many have proved this, but "still there's more to follow," we have no doubt.

—We were pleased to make the acquaintance of Mr. Vincent, of the Erie *Republican*, on Monday. It was his first visit to Smethport, and we regret that it could not have been more lengthy.

—Among the bills that have passed finally at Harrisburg is one entitled: An act to prohibit domestic animals from running at large in certain townships of Potter and M'Kean counties.

—Just as we go to press we learn that the borough school directors have engaged a gentleman by the name of Card to conduct the borough school the coming season, and that the school will open on Monday next.

—The office of County Jury Commissioner is likely to be abolished. A bill to repeal the act creating it has passed to a third reading in the State Senate. It provides that the jurors shall be selected by the County Commissioners.

—The Baptist society of this place are seriously contemplating moving their church building from its present location on Main street to Water street. Bids for moving have been made, but we have not learned that any have been accepted.

—Mr. A. A. Craig, who has been appointed justice of the peace by the Governor, was for nine years justice in the city of Erie, and for five years associate judge in that district. He is a thoroughly competent man, and the people of Kendall feel proud of him.—*Era.*

—The Waverly *Magazine* has an original story in which E. G. R. (Estes G. Rathbone), Chief U. S. Detective over five *different states*, plays an interesting and important part. The story is "Truth Wins." Several worthy young men were one evening recently in a prominent town in Ohio, playing games at cards, and while this was going on, in stepped a noted gambler and proposed to the boys bluff or poker. One of the young men knew where there was some counterfeit money, went and got it, played and lost. Next day a warrant was issued against this prominent young man for passing counterfeit money. He was arrested, lodged in jail and finally asked to be taken before the chief, told his story honestly and was by the judge discharged. Moral—even in gambling it isn't safe to handle counterfeit money.—Potter *Enterprise.*

DIRECTORS' CONVENTION

W. H. Curtis re-elected.

Pursuant to call the school directors of the several townships and boroughs of the county met at the Court House, in this borough, on Tuesday, for the purpose of selecting a county school Superintendent for the ensuing three years. The directors began to arrive early in the forenoon, and up to time of the assembling of the convention the candidates and their friends put in a few hours of industrious work in urging their several claims, with what effect was shown by the result of the first ballot. The convention assembled at 2 p. m., and was organized by electing B. D. Hamlin, of Smethport, as presiding officer, and H. L. Burlingame, of Smethport borough, and C. P. Rice, of Norwich, as secretaries. The roll of townships and boroughs being called 53 Directors answered to their names. The borough of Bradford and Bradford and Corydon townships were unrepresented, and several other townships were but partially represented.

The passage of the law fixing the salary of the Superintendents of the different counties of the State left no labor for the convention in that direction, other than a vote that the salary of the candidate elected should not be more than the $1000 fixed by law.

The name of candidates being called for, the following were presented and balloted for viva voce: W. H. Curtis, C. W. Wasson, J. F. Cone, Miss Mary Simpson, and M. W. Meservey. The result of the first and last ballot was as follows:

W. H. Curtis	30
C. W. Wasson	13
J. F. Cone	9
M. W. Meservey	1
Miss Mary Simpson	1

Mr. Curtis was therefore declared elected and responded by an expression of thanks to the convention, which immediately adjourned.

The W. U. Telegraph Office.

For reasons not necessary to state, M. L. Armstrong, the long time Western Union operator in this borough, has voluntarily resigned that position. On Saturday the Company sent Miss Brewster, an experienced operator, who has for the past five years held a position in the Buffalo office, to take his place. It was necessary to move the office from its former location, and after a thorough investigation Miss Brewster decided to locate it in the Bennett House, as it seemed the most central point regarding the telegraph business, and a portion of the *gentlemen's parlor is being fitted up for* that purpose. The public will regret the circumstances that impelled the resignation of Mr. Armstrong, yet we have no doubt that *his successor will fill the position* with eminent satisfaction to her employers and the public.

New Bakery and Confectionery Store.

We are pleased to learn that a gentleman by the name of Picard, lately of Emporium and formerly of Reynoldsville, has rented the store building owned by J. G. Eaton for the purpose of putting in a first-class bakery, confectionery and grocery store. This is an institution of which the borough is much in need, and we hope and believe Mr. Picard will meet with a prosperous patronage.

Business Suspension.

Owing to financial embarrassements J. P. Wendell has been compelled to suspend business, temporarily at least. As near as we can learn the liabilities are considerably in excess of the assets. It is an unfortunate failure for many reasons, but John is young and well stocked with pluck and energy, and we hope will again gain his feet and make everything straight. The public can hardly do without his well stocked grocery store.

A Card.

Having been requested to reduce the price of making cheese this season, I will say that I will make a reduction to all who commence delivering milk on or before May fifteenth.

Yours, Cheesingly,
W. O. CONDON.

—We count ourselves fortunate in having secured the services of J. Willett Smith as solicitor and traveling agent for the MINER. Our time is so completely occupied with the business and editorial management of the office that it is impossible for us to spend any time or attention to *our friends* "out and around." We have therefore detailed Mr. Smith to represent us in that branch of our duties, a position for which he is admirably fitted, much better than are we our modesty compels us to say. He has had ample experience in that branch of the newspaper business, is a *gentleman in every respect*, and we cordially commend him to the tender mercies of our many friends and patrons.

—Something like sixty persons came down from Smethport in a special car, under care of Supt. S. V. Godden of the McKean & Buffalo road, to attend the Emma Abbott Concert. They were joined by another large party at Portville. Olean is much indebted to the good people of these two pleasant towns for their very liberal support of the Lecture Course. Take out what they have generously added to the success of the course, and we fear there would be few books bought.—Olean *Record.*

—With due respect to the claims and merits of other candidates for the county Superintendency, we cannot but regret that the candidacy of Miss Mary Simpson had not been known and pressed in season. We are informed that she is a graduate of Alfred University, is a teacher of long experience in the county, and of more than ordinary ability and qualifications. She certainly is qualified and deserving, and we have heard a number express regret that her friends had not been more active in her support.

—The road supervisors of Bradford were defendants in a suit before arbitrators Monday and Tuesday of this week to recover damages for a horse. It was claimed, we understand, by the plaintiffs that the horse fell into one of the bottomless mud-holes in the streets of Kendall and broke his neck. G. M. Smith, Warren Stark, and Orrin Gallup were the arbitrators, Backus and Gorton for the defendants, and W. J. Milliken for the plaintiffs. Damages to the amount of $87 were allowed the plaintiffs. The supervisors will appeal.

—Another new paper—*the Sunday Breeze*—has been established in Bradford. We hope the new comer will meet with none but prosperous breezes.

THE BRADFORD FIRE.

The "city" of Bradford receives its first baptismal in fire.

On Tuesday morning we learned that a disastrous fire had visited the borough of Bradford the previous evening. There were many conflicting reports and not until the arrival of the daily papers could we learn the full particulars. We copy the following from one of the reports sent to the Oil City *Derrick*, which is as concise a description of the disaster as we have seen:

At half-past five this evening flames were discovered issuing from the rear of Smawley's livery stable, a huge frame structure, back of the Bradford house.—The fire had attained considerable headway before the alarm was given, and by the time the firemen arrived the stable and a blacksmith shop fronting on Pine street, were a solid mass of flame. The whistles sounded perpetually for some minutes; people rushed in hundreds towards the spot, and the excitement became more intense each moment. In five minutes Connelly's liquor store caught, and it was then evident that the Bradford House, one of the oldest and largest hotels in town, must succumb. Water was rather scarce and the hose was so poorly managed as hardly to afford a perceptible check to the devouring element. The fire burned very rapidly, threatening the buildings across the public square and speedily communicated with the two-story frame occupied by George V. Forman, John Brown, R. M. Sayres and James Amm. The drug store of Dr. Mattison, with one side used as a jewelry store by A. Steward, next followed, and in a few seconds later the flames reached the corner store occupied by Coons as a confectionery and grocery. Meanwhile the blaze reached across Pine street and seized two buildings, but were extinguished by great exertion. Most of the merchants on Main street moved their goods and great piles were consumed after being placed on the square. The bulk of the furniture was taken from the Bradford House. The greater part of the contents of the other buildings were also removed safely, although one horse perished in the livery.

A report spread that two men were killed at the Bradford House, but this happily proved incorrect. One slipped from the roof, sustaining no injury, and another was badly hurt by falling violently from the same dangerous height. By seven o'clock the danger had passed and merchants began replacing their goods. The buildings destroyed are the livery stable, Connelly's liquor store, Bradford House, Olean pipe line office, Mattison's store, Coon's bakery, Chuck's barber shop, a blacksmith shop, and a small dwelling. The total loss will aggregate $50,000. Three-fourths of it is covered by insurance. The entire block surrounded by the square, Mechanic st., Pine street and the Tuna Creek, was completely obliterated. The Tuna Valley Bank was saved only through constant efforts, and the heat was so intense that houses across the street were badly singed and the glass broken. Assistance was asked from the Olean Fire Department but the danger was over before it could respond. Some minor casualties occurred to various parties. Large quantities of goods were carried away by sneak thieves. Barrels of whisky and kegs of beer were tapped by some ruffians who availed themselves of the opportunity for a big carousal. The block will be at once rebuilt.

To-night a number of sufferers have gone to neighboring towns for shelter, the hotels here being full. This is the first serious conflagration Bradford has experienced and but for the fortunate condition of the wind the business portion of the town would have been swept out of existence.

The origin of the fire is unknown, but is probably owing to sparks from the blacksmith shop or the throwing of a cigar stump among the inflammable material about the livery stable.

How it Operates.

Every week the MINER goes into over one thousand quiet homes. It is fair to presume that at least five pairs of eyes scan its pages. That would make six or eight thousand careful readers of our paper. Supposing Mr. Blank advertises in our local columns that he has a bran new stock of dress goods, and gives the price of one article, which is known to be very low. At least three thousand ladies read the announcement, and it may be possible that only two hundred of these have the opportunity of going out at once on a shopping tour. But during the week these two hundred start, and we venture to say that every one of them will call at Mr. Blank's to examine the goods that he advertised in the MINER. Before he knows it, Mr. Blank makes one hundred and fifty good sales, on which he realizes a profit of say one dollar each, or a total of one hundred and fifty dollars. He paid one or two dollars for the advertisement, and this is the result. This is what a good advertisement does for a merchant. It is the best kind of a salesman. Try it.

—The bill creating the new county of Lackawana out of parts of Luzerne has been signed by the Governor. The new county will contain nearly 100,000 people. The population of the remaining portion of the old county of Luzerne, from which Lackawanna was formed, stands at about the same figure. In 1870 the population of the old county was 161,000. Scranton, which is to be the county seat of the new county, has a population of nearly 50,000. Lackawanna will be the sixty-seventh county in order of organization. Cameron county has been styled the last "new" county since the year 1807.

—We received a pleasant call on Monday from Hon. L. Rogers, of Smethport, Journal Clerk of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and an old editor and printer. Mr. Rogers is one of those genial, active, public-spirited men who are of more real, solid benefit to a town than an oil belt, for they last longer, never hold out false hopes, consume people's money, nr depreciate on the market, alwas being worth their weight in mint gold.—Olean *Record.*

—*Two of the participants in the Duke* Center riot were lodged in the county jail yesterday. Thirteen gallant boys boys now answer roll call in that institution. It is suggested that the Sheriff have a public dress parade of his little army.

—A. M. Benton, the standing delegate of the McKean Democracy, has been chosen again to represent them at Harrisburg.

THE NEW OIL OUTLET.

The Equitable Petroleum Pipe Line to Frisbee.

The project of a new pipe line outlet with its terminus at or near Frisbee Station, on the McKean & Buffalo railroad, has been hinted at in a vague way for some months. The matter has now assumed a definite shape, and we are able to lay before our readers the following details regarding the new line, for which we are indebted to the Bradford *Era* of last Saturday:

The Equitable Petroleum Company, limited, was organized in this city on the twenty-second day of February, with a cash and bonded capital of $225,000. Ten per cent of the cash capital has been paid in for some time. The company is composed of thirty-six of our prominent producers, representing a daily production of over three thousand barrels. The officers, which consist of a Board of Managers, a Chairman, (president) Secretary and Treasurer, are as follows: Chairman, John H. Dilks; Secretary and Treasurer, S. P. Boyer. Board of Managers, S. P. Boyer, L. Emery, Jr., A. I. Wilcox, Geo. A. Berry, J. H. Dilks.

The object of the organization was to devise some new outlet, outside of the great monopoly, by which they could get their oil to the markets of the world, without being suppliants at the feet of the Standard Oil Company. To accomplish this end were all their efforts directed, and how hard they have worked, in the face of almost innumerable obstacles, and the teeth of the most formidable opposition in every direction, can be more easily imagined than described. Suffice it to say that their labors have been crowned with the most satisfactory results.

The first point necessary to be settled, was the finding of parties who would buy their oil in case they could furnish it to them. This was happily attained with very little trouble. The company have arrangements with outside refiners in New York who agree to take the oil furnished them at rates satisfactory in every respect to all concerned. The company then proceeded to perfect an arrangement with the Buffalo, New York & Philadelphia railway, by which that line will transport the oil from the terminus of the pipe line to Buffalo, at a very low figure.

The right of way for the line from this district to a point on the Buffalo road was secured with considerable difficulty, after long and patient figuring.

Thus we have briefly given the three principal points which were necessary to overcome. Of course there were a hundred details to provide for, which we have not time to relate.

It is the intention of the company to lay a pipe from their main station, which is to be located at Gilmor, to a point a little south of Larrabee station, sufficient to meet the present wants, to be superseded at an early day by a six-inch line. The entire distance is just ten miles and forty rods, and the route is very favorable, the highest elevation being 900 feet, a little south of Gilmor. The next highest point is 600 feet, on Knapp's creek. Stations will be located at all the principal points in the valley, where they may be found necessary. The pumps have been contracted for, and satisfactory terms have been made for the pipe, although the cloven hoof stepped in at this period and made a desperate attempt to render it an impossibility to get the pipe on any reasonable basis.

The company have twenty-five tank-cars for the B. N. Y. & P. road now completed and twenty-five more are in process of construction for their uses, to be completed by the middle of June.

From Buffalo the oil is to be shipped to New York by the Erie canal. The refiners who will take the oil are constructing large receiving tanks at Buffalo through which the oil is to be transferred from the tank-cars to the boats. Twelve of these boats have been built and several others are under way. That there might be no possible failure connected with the working of these tank-boats an experiment has been made with one for some time in transporting petroleum around New York harbor, and it was found to be fully adequate to all the demands rebuired.

The question naturally arises, What is to be done with the oil during the winter months, when the canals are closed?—This the company have fully considered and provided for. First, a storage tankage of five hundred thousand barrels is to be erected in Buffalo to be used in case of emergency. Second, there is every reason to believe that a number of refineries will soon be established in that city, which would naturally create a large market for the oil there. Third, the company will have arrangements consummated before the close of canal navigation by which they can use other means of transportation and reach New York and Philadelphia. We shall have occasion to speak of this outlet more definitely hereafter.

The Equitable Company also own the old Prentice right of way direct to Buffalo, which has been completed by H. L. Taylor & Co. It is the most direct route obtainable to that city, and although they have no occasion to make any immediate use of it, it is a very handy thing to have in case of any complications that may arise with the railroads.

The work of pipe-laying will be commenced within two weeks and prosecuted with vigor. They hope to be able to deliver oil in Buffalo by the middle of June.

The entire line will cost, we understand, when completed and thoroughly equipped, about $150,000.

Producers have long been sighing for a competive outlet to the seaboard, and this we believe is the first comprehensive move in that direction. Hence it is proper that every producer should give it his moral and financial support, and aid the enterprise in every possible manner that lies in his power.

—A little girl about 12 years of age, daughter of Howell Jones, living near the Jabez Gallup farm on Marvin creek, went fishing in Stanton brook, on Saturday last. Not returning at night, her parents became alarmed and speedily organized a large party of the immediate neighbors to go out in search of the missing one, which they did to no avail.—Her father finally found her at Buttaville on the afternoon of the following day, to which place she had wandered after becoming lost.

—We make a specialty of printing drug labels, and have just completed a large order. We invite an inspection of samples and prices, the latter of which are as low as any drug printing house in the United States.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE

From Knapps Creek.

ELDRED, May 6, 1878.

To the Editor of the Miner:

I suppose that our readers were left in suspense again in regard to the correspondent from Knapp's creek. I would respectfully inform them that he started from home a week ago to-day, going up the valley through Duke Center, stopped over night and recorded the facts, observations, &c., proceeded up the R. B. Branch toward Red Rock, and when within about two miles of the place, committed the package to the care of a stranger going in that direction who said if there was money in the package that he was not a safe person to carry it. But when informed in the negative, said he would mail it. But we did not see the letter in print and conclude that it was either delayed or lost. So I will give a synopsis of the letter with what observations that have been made since.

The Elmira Oil Co. on Lovejoy lot up to Wednesday was down about 700 or 800 feet, and probably by this time 1000.

The Adams well on Morton lot is considered to be good for 10 or 12 bbls.

The derrick on L. A Bunker lot was blown down during the late gale.

Wesley Wick has a boarding house on Kansas street. Asa Griffin is building a house in Duke Center. Williams & Conner will open up a building 21x40 for books, stationery, wall paper, &c., near the center of the town. H. T. Nelson, of Coudersport, has purchased a one-half interest in the English House, now owned by Nelson & Kimball.

Mrs. D. A. Altoft has opened up a millinery and stock of ladies' furniture goods on Main street. Mr. Eymer has solicited $70 of the citizens for repairs on Main street from Duke's corners to Topeka corners.

J. C. Johnson of Emporium, who has had large experience and an extensive practice in the legal profession, has entered into partnership with W. J. Lewis, Esq., a young man of promising talents and a graduate of Alfred University. He was admitted to the bar at our special term of court. Mr. Johnson will continue his residence and practice in Cameron county, and also will practice in company with Mr. Lewis in McKean county.

There have been several new wells struck up the North Fork of Oil Valley, including one on Frank Sprague and one on G. W. Strickland, all of which make a show for first-class wells.

There is a portable steam saw mill on the J. E. & Wm. Baldwin farm doing a business of 10 thousand a day.

There are several wells up this valley under way and nearly due.

Operations continue up the R. R. Branch and J. J. Matteson's steam saw mill is doing a good business located near the old White well, and there is to be another by a Mr. Russel.

The hotel built by Mr. Ingham has changed hands and the new incumbent has moved in. This location is called Middaugh Grove, and is two miles above Duke Center.

There are several wells up about this region, which will produce an immense quantity of oil, being on the Borden tract, of which we may mention Frank Andrews No. 1, 2, 3, and 4; Oak Shade No. 1, 2, and 3; Gray & Vanvleck; Vanvleck & Co.; Dunkirk Oil Co.; Combolimbin Oil Co.; Raydure No. 1, and 2, and G. V. Foreman has three or four. The list is not complete, but for want of time to get over the territory before it will be necessary to send this message I can only give an outline.

There have been several new wells that have come in at Rixford, and all bid fair to be good. The Mills well, on Eli Cumming's lot, is in and torpedoed with a good show.

There are several new wells starting up Smith Hollow. The Lapham well, on Woodbury lot is down 1400 feet, with tools in the hole.

Hall & Mallory of Tarport, are starting a feed store.

The Love Bros. will put up new buildings and open up a drug store.

Kenyon & Co. are down some 800 feet.

Well on Lockwood farm, up D. Barger Hollow is down some three or four hundred feet.

Reed and Anderson well is doing 12 barrels. The Swett well, on Portville Co. land, nearly due.

Wm. Petre is doing a good business in the boarding house line. Jas. Moran is also keeping boarders in the Sage building. H. B. Sulliff is putting up a store.

The McKeown & Hays, Dean & Co.'s, and old Rixford wells are doing about 35 to 40 bbls. Simon Rixford has purchased the Byron Adams farm near Wellsville, New York, for $11,000. Village lots are in good demand for $250 to $300.

The Pine Tree well on Dickinson land is down some 300 feet or more.

Both the Otto Oil Co.'s wells are cased, on the McCullough farm.

The Beech Grove well is down 250 feet.

E. F. Lake is building a new hotel opposite the Nash House, 30 by 60 feet.

E. B. Curtis, of Wellsville, has a building 22x50 feet for tin and hardware store.

I. R. Embre is building opposite the Nash House for boarding. J. C. Vanhorn is running a boarding house.—There is a tank and machine shop located on the Bennis & Packard lot.

B. H. Rolph, of Wellsville, has a building up for a hotel 22x50.

Oakley Johnson, of Scio, has a large building up for a store 32x40. John Kane, of Scio, also has a building 20x40 for store. R. Hunt has sold a lot 25x100 for $200. J. B. Dennis has sold a lot for $150. Dan O'Day has a rig up on McCullough farm. Lanniders & Pratt are getting out timber for a rig on the same.

R. L. Dond, of Eldred, having sold his lot and harness shop in Duke Center, has returned and is doing a good business with his brother.

"Kenny" Dennis is running a barber shop in Eldred and would like to sell out.

Barden & Roharts are chock full of new goods. Hicks is putting up a new building on the corner of Edson and Main street, for an eating house and confectionery store. P. P. Pitts is doing the stone work. Dorn & Hammond have a lunch room and news office on the corner near the depot. Misses Wales and Varnum have a dress-making establishment and keep ladies' furnishing goods and notions. W. B. Archibald & Co. are doing a good trade in flour, feed, &c., and Hitchcock, Stephenson & Co., are to commence operations this week on the Sincox & Fisher well. E. Littlefield is to put up the derrick.

W. A. Wicks and T. M. Coffey have the job of hauling a boiler from Eldred, with five spans of horses, for $175.

The preliminary survey of the Kendall Creek & Eldred R. R. was completed last week, and we are looking for active operations this week. The river crossing is to be near the Camp Ground, to Eldred depot.

INDIAN CREEK.

The Bradford Oil Co., on the widow Rounds lot, has been abandoned with three sets of tools in the hole. The same Co. on Lew. Loop, No. 2, is in with a good show. Also W. L. Hardison well on Keyes farm, and Dimmick well on Dodge farm are in and are good average wells.

So we see that matters are changing considerable in this section, as the territory is opening up much better than we supposed it would.

The Adam Elan well reported dry some time ago, has recently made an extra flow and is said to be all right.

DELTA.

The Duke Center Riot.

BRADFORD, May 7, 1878.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Since mailing my letter at Prentissvale, I have picked up a few more items of general interest to the public. Among the more important and exciting items we notice the GREAT DUKE CENTER RIOT. Although not an eye witness, I was informed by Dr. Wilson, who saw and heard the whole affray. He stated that five young men, strangers in the place, were passing up Bradford street and two of them attempted to go into the house called the Preston House, when one of them was struck with a bottle in the face. Shortly afterward a missle of some kind was thrown against the door, when one of the party from within fired three shots with a revolver at the party outside, one of which struck one of them on the side of his head and knocked off his hat. They then went up the road, all but one who returned to get his hat.—While stooping to pick it up, one Donohue came out from behind the house and struck him on the head with a club which was kept in the house for emergencies and was undoubtedly used on this occasion with intent to kill.

The injuries received, although serious, are being skillfully treated by Dr. Wilson & Ross, who took him into the office immediately, and when I was there he appeared to be improving. The house, I believe, was owned by Charles Duke, but rented to one Preston who hired Charles Larrabee to run the thing. He had two men in his employ all of whom were arrested by our young and energetic policeman, Mr. Arrowsmith, formerly of Jersey Shore, and were taken down to Eldred for trial before Justice Moses.

The citizens of Duke Center have long borne with this place of ill fame, and this is the first opportunity they have had of showing their disgust to the concern, by *actual demonstrations* in tearing down the house, which was promptly and effectually done, leaving it a perfect wreck.

DELTA.

From Lafayette.

MAY 3, 1878.

The farmers here have of late been feeling somewhat down in the mouth in consequence of an overdose of wet weather, but for all it has gone and everything betokens fair weather and good crops.

Owen Crowen who has lately been confined to his bed by a serious illness has nearly recovered.

An old gentleman by the name of Thos. Whalen, who has been supported by the township poor funds for a number of years, died very suddenly Tuesday morning. His remains were taken to Allegany, N. Y., for burial.

T. L. Newton, Esq., has improved his place to quite an extent by building a large horse barn, and is contemplating putting up a fine residence on Main street.

Messrs. Burmingham & McGraw are making a success of their Cranberry Coal Mines and have a ready market for all the coal that they get out.

Mr. Robt. King, of your place, is stopping at the Beeman Hotel, and is engaged in *running lines near the Big Shanty.*

Fishermen are very plenty around here now. Turnip Run is getting to be quite famous as a camping ground, it being the place where the Bradford Piscatorial Club hangs out.

As yet, we have no oil.

OCCASIONAL.

FROM OUTSIDE.

—The Whitesville well is to go to a depth of 1500 feet.

—About 45 miners are employed at the Cameron Coal Co.'s mines.

—There are twenty-seven lodges of I. O. O. F. in Bradford county.

—The Masonic fraternity of Elmira are preparing to build a $50,000 temple.

—The accommodation train will be put on the P. & E. road again the 12th inst.

—Forty thousand young brook trout have been placed in the Allegany county streams.

—The Bradford county *Republican* has twenty-three subscribers by the name of Holcomb.

—We are glad to hear that Rev. N. V. Hull, of Alfred, is recovering from his severe illness.

—The fact that R. O. Smith, of Olean, began life on a salary of $30 a year seems to have been pretty well advertised.

—Emporium is visited by burglars occasionally who labor under the delusion that there is yet something there to steal.

—The Cameron *Press* hears the rumor that the express now running to Port Allegany will soon be continued to Emporium.

—Hon. John Brooks, of Cameron county, returned home from Harrisburg last week very sick. John has overtaxed himself.

—On Saturday last, Mrs. I. A. Hirsch, feeling cold, sat down by a stove to warm herself, and in her hand held a bottle of camphor. The camphor ignited, burning her neck and shoulders terribly.—*Cameron Press.*

—The casing, boiler and engine have been taken away from the Taylor, Aiken & Peet well, and with them go all our hopes of development of this territory at present—but still we believe there is oil here.—*Cameron Press.*

—The Tioga county Greenbackers met in convention last week, and among other things placed their shackles on the Westfield *Idea* by making it their "official organ." The *Idea* placed the collar about its neck with thanks and a frantic appeal for new subscribers.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Freeman, formerly residents of Cameron county, but for the past two years living in Africa, died about three months ago, within a few days of each other. Mr. F. was employed by an English Shipping Company.

—A warning to croquet players. A man was fatally injured in a neighboring county recently, his skull being fractured by a flying mallet. We never had much respect for the game, and now have less. Whoever heard of any one being accidentally killed by a billiard cue?

—On Sunday last Miss Mattie Perkins attempted to cross the foot bridge over the river, but the swift running current caused her to become dizzy and she fell into the stream. N. G. Goodsell was, fortunately, near at hand and he waded out into the water and brought her to the shore. Without help she would doubtless have drowned, as the water was quite deep and the current very rapid.—Potter *Enterprise.*

—Annie Haggard, while engaged in cleaning a pair of kid gloves at Titusville, last week, with benzine, met with a terrible accident. There was a lamp in the room, and the air soon became so impregnated with inflamable vapor that an explosion took place, and the gloves, which were saturated with benzine, ignited.—The terrified young lady screamed loudly for help, but the entire family being asleep in bed, did not at first hear her cries. Each moment seemed an hour as the flames leaped around her wrists and arms. She first endeavored to rip the gloves off but they would not come, and finally, with great presence of mind, she seized a wet towel and smothered the devouring element. Both hands and arms are burned in a most shocking manner.

BUSINESS LOCAL.

Dentistry.

Dr. B. F. Lewis will visit this place, on Monday, the 13th inst. Rooms at the Wright House. People in need of dental services will govern themselves accordingly.

QUITE a common mistake is to consider as consumption what is really an affection of the liver and nerves, that may be readily cured by Dr. Fenner's Blood and Liver Remedy and Nerve Tonic and his Cough Honey. Send for special circular on his St. Vitus Dance Specific.

Important News.

It is the duty of every person who has used Parmelee's Blood Purifier to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing all diseases of the Blood, Stomach, Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Dropsy, Boils, Itch, Humors, Piles, Loss of appetite, Salt Rheum, Ulcers, Jaundice, Erysipelas, Rheumatism, Loss of Vigor, Female Complaints and all diseases rignating in bad state of the blood. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all druggists to recommend it to the poor dying patients at least to try one bottle. In all cases where it has been sold not one case where it has failed has been reported Such a medicine as Parmelee's Blood Purifier, cannot be too well known. Ask your druggist for it. Sample bottles to try, 15 cents — Large regular size, $1 per bottle. For sale by A. B. *Armstrong, Smethport; and H. Hamlin* Eldred, Pa. 15-15-eow. 1 y.

Geo. D. Prentice speaks of Time as "The Tomb Builder." We suggest to mother that FIFTEEN MINUTES of precious time may build a tomb for the dear form that now sleeps so gently, should Croup in its worst type attack it. How will you guard against the destroyer? DARE YOU neglect to use every known precaution? It is not possible to have a physician always at hand. Frequently the time taken in calling one, would be *the death of the child. We assume the grave* responsibility of saying to these mothers, that Hatch's Universal Cough Syrup is as nearly a specific as has yet been discovered for this dread disease. We should not say this without positive knowledge. This medicine has been tested for fourteen years, and thousands are quieted nightly by the fact that they have it in reach for immediate use. Every mother longs for a safeguard of this kind. Regular sizes and 10 cent samples for sale by Armstrong & Co., Smethport, Pa.

Miscellaneous.

MILLINERY STORE.

I am constantly receiving additions to my stock of

MILLINERY AND
FANCY GOODS,
DRY GOODS AND
NOTIONS,

and am prepared to SELL AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

Mary Tracy,

MAIN ST. SMETHPORT, PA.

Discharge in Bankruptcy.

In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

HENRY H. ARBUR, of McKean county, Pa., a Bankrupt under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1867, having applied for a discharge from all his debts, and other claims provable under said Act, by order of the Court, notice is hereby given, to all creditors who have proved their debts, and other persons interested, to appear on the 24th day of May, 1878, at 11 o'clock a. m., before E. Woodruff, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy, at his office in Erie, Pa., to show cause, if any they have, why a discharge should not be granted to the said Bankrupt. And further, notice is hereby given, that the Second and Third Meetings of creditors of the said Bankrupt, required by the 27th and 28th Sections of said Act, will be held before the said Register, at the same time and place. S. C. McCANDLESS,
15 29-w3 Clerk.

T. L. SARTWELL, Treasurer, in account with Sergeant township, April 8, 1878.

	Dr.	
To balance from last settlem't	$35 00	
To township orders	600 00	
To balance due Treasurer	19 18	
		$655 08
	Cr	
By orders paid	$630 00	
By commission on $630 00	19 08	
		$655 08

Attest:
H. L. WILSON, Town Clerk.
JOHN LEE,
JACOB HAFNER,
Auditors.

YOU CAN get your Job Printing done at the MINER office in city style and at city prices. Remember it.

BRADFORD HOUSE,
380 *Exchange, Cor. Louisiana St.,*
Opposite the B. N. Y. & P. R. R. Depot,
BUFFALO, N. Y.
ED. SEIL, - - - Proprietor.
SALOON and RESTAURANT.
Warm Meals at all Hours.
ALES, WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS, &c.
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Financial Statements.

JEB TATE, Supervisor, in account with Sergeant Township, April 8, 1878.

	Dr	
To balance from last settlement	$17 20	
To amount erased duplicate	275 31	
To am't orders of Treasurer	300 00	
		$592 51
	Cr	
By discount on orders	$21 00	
By exonerations	23 50	
By amount expended on roads	418 34	
By personal services during year	24 52	
By balance due township	105 15	
		$592 51

Attest
H. L. WILSON, Town Clerk.
JOHN LEE,
JACOB HAFNER,
Auditors

J. R. SHOEMAKER, Collector of Poor Tax for the year 1877 in account with Sergeant Township.

	Dr	
To am't seated duplicate		$140 37
	Cr	
By am't Exonerations	$20 30	
By 5 per cent com. on $120 07	6 00	
By balance due township	114 07	
		$140 37

Attest
H. L. WILSON, Town Clerk.
JOHN LEE,
JACOB HAFNER,
Auditors.

WILLIAM GRIFFITH and R. GLOVER, Poormasters, in account with Sergeant Township.

	Cr
By am't paid for relief by Wm. Griffith	$122 70
By am't paid for relief by R. Glover	4 65
By six days attending meetings Wm Griffith	12 00
By six days attending meetings R. Glover	12 00
	$151 35
	Dr.
To order in favor Wm Griffith	$134 70
" " R. Glover	16 65
	$151 35

Attest:
H. L. WILSON, Town Clerk.
JOHN LEE,
JACOB HAFNER,
Auditors.

STATEMENT of Poor Funds of Ceres township, April 9, 1878.

	Township	Dr
To am't of Poor orders outstanding		$171 74
	Township	Cr
By balance in hands of H. Smith estate	$137 20	
By balance in hands of Poor Master, Sergina	20 18	
Excess of liabilities over assets	14 17

SCREENINGS.

"A want of the age"—Hair.

Matters of interest—Coupons.

A man of spirit—The distiller.

Missing links—Stolen sausages.

Hard to beat—the spring carpet.

A nod fellow—A sleepy bachelor.

A good thing to have round—A circle.

"Beautiful Isle of the Sea"—whale-oil.

Earl Granville speaks over twenty languages.

Beecher recently drew a $460 house in Chicago.

"Time out of mind" is the oldest lunatic on record.

A *fellow*-feline makes midnight mewers wondrous kind.

Highwaymen—Conductors on the Elevated Railroads.

A monument of pure steel is talked of for Boss Tweed.

Peter Cooper owns up to $5,000,000, but is contented.

A man looking for a drink asked the police for a bar pilot.

Harriet Beecher Stowe's writings have netted her $70,000.

Brick Pomeroy has withdrawn from the National party.

An immense blue-grass crop is expected in the Chester Valley.

The Duke of Westminster has an income of $10 per minute.

Time is money. Of course it is, or how could you "spend an evening?"

Of Mr. Whittier it is said that there are few literary men so kind to young writers as he.

It is claimed that Theodore Tilton has netted $15,000 by his lectures the past season.

And now Grace Greenwood will lecture in Washington on heroism in private life.

Jennie June says that a fashionable bonnet can now be had for about a dollar and a-half.

The Duke of Argyll owns 175,114 acres and has a pleasant yearly income of $252,000.

Russia has thirty-four inhabitants to the square mile, while England has three hundred.

A fashion writer suggests that patched trousers will be much worn the present season.

Real estate is higher in the Rocky mountain district than in any other part of the country.

The oldest living man is near Bogota, South America, and he claims to be 180 years old.

The Archbishop of Canterbury in England receives an annual salary of over $75,000.

"Oh, the Baby's Got a Tooth" is the title of the very latest comic song out in England.

Tilton and Beecher are both off lecturing, with Elizabeth as their advertising agent.

Ohio has a new law which authorizes notaries public to perform marriage ceremonies.

"Walk in love." Put a comma after in and see how the sense will be altered by so doing.

We may always joke when we please, if we are always careful to *please* when we joke.

If the best man's faults were written on his forehead, he would draw his hat over his eyes.

A boy says that the reason ships are called "she" is because it takes men to manage them.

The poorest girls in the world are those who have never been taught to work.—[Woman's Journal.

Very few brass-bands in a military parade can play as many airs as the drum-major puts on.

There is a "white ribbon" movement in Armstrong county to discourage the use of tobacco.

There is no necessary connection between a serial tale and a money's tail, because they are both simply continued.

Cats can't live at a greater elevation than 13,000 feet above the level of the sea; but they thrive most splendidly on a ridge-pole.

Doctor Mary Walker is seriously ill at the Providence Hospital in Washington, and a few days since was not expected to recover.

The large number of people who own the snuff-box that once belonged to Thos. Jefferson, learn with sorrow that he never had one.

The marriage ceremony between Gen. Jackson and his estimable wife was performed three times in three *different* States of the Union.

Allegheny undertakers have had a meeting to devise ways to force delinquent customers to pay their debts, one of which was to advertise them.

Lieutenant Reade, of the regular army, has been offered $7,000 per annum for seven years to take charge of the telegraphic system of Japan.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times writes that the President drinks wine in moderation at other places than the White House.

Mr. Beecher's alleged extravagances in a recent sermon remind the Rutland Herald of the man "who set his tongue a-going and went off and left it."

If a man will be economical he can make a trip to Paris and back for one hundred dollars. This can include a six-months' stay in France—in jail.—Detroit Free Press.

Colonel Forney says that there are over a thousand millions of dollars held in the private banks of England, drawing not more than one per cent. interest, held simply for safety.

Is it not singular that men who could tell within half a cent of what they could afford to pay their operatives, couldn't tell within half a million of dollars how much their treasurers were taking for their valuable services?—[Hoosier Herald.

One day last week a clergyman who shall be *nameless* was called to the bedside of a young lady living in the vicinity of Brady's Bend, to offer spiritual consolation, as it was believed her spirit was about to "cross over." Imagine the man's feelings when a few hours later he learned that the lady had given birth to a fine boy. Previous to this episode the minister had borne an excellent reputation.—[Derrick.

Farm, Garden, and Household.

The Fortunate Farmer.

Fortunate is he, says the Cleveland *Herald*, in these hard times, who has a foothold on the soil. Of the three prime necessaries of life he is sure—food, shelter and fire will not fail him. He may have no money for fine clothes, or journeys, or diversions, but the roof-tree over his head is his own, his fields yield him abundant nourishment, and he has no bills to pay at the coal yard, for his forest feeds his kitchen fire. He is subject to none of the cares that oppress the man who works for hire, and he escapes, too, the worries and uncertainties which beset the man of business. No employer cuts down his income below a figure sufficient to provide his family with the ordinary comforts of life, he is not distressed about his rent, for he pays none, and his grocery bills are easily settled by bartering the surplus eggs and butter from his cellar. He has no notes to meet at the bank, no pay-rolls to provide for at the week's end, no bad debts to destroy a year's profit on his business.—The prices of his produce may be low, but he is sure of enough to eat, and in his home, however plain it may be, he is safe from the rude assaults of outrageous fortune.

Good mother earth is not chary of her benefits because times are hard. Seed time and harvest do not fail when business is dull and merchants are suspending. Employment may be hard to get in the towns and wages low, but the soil responds as readily as ever to the husbandman's labor. He tickles it with the hoe and it laughs with the harvest just the same as in prosperous times.

It is a well-worn saying, we know, that he who has a good farm and is out of debt, is the most independent man in the community, but its truth is more than ever apparent just now. The farmers are the only prosperous class. Business men are seriously embarassed by the dullness of trade, the income of lawyers, doctors, and other professional men are so small as to scarcely suffice for their needs, and the wages-earning classes are suffering from lack of regular employment or from insufficient wages. Never since 1837 has life in towns and cities demanded such pinching economy and daily sacrifice as at present. The farmer, meanwhile, is getting fair prices, if not high prices, for all he raises to sell; he is always sure of a market for his products, for people must eat, and his expenses are trifling, if he has cured in his own family the mania for fashion, finery and frivolity, which invaded the rural districts as well as the cities during the flush times, and has returned to old-fashioned habits of frugality.

Difficult Churning.

Churning butter during the winter and early spring months is frequently beset with difficulty from the butter refusing "*to come*"—sometimes under four to six hours of constant churning. This has generally been ascribed to the cream not being at the proper temperature when put in the churn; but Prof. Arnold, of New York, who is the great authority in all dairy matters, settles the question otherwise. He tells us that cream grows more difficult to churn in proportion to the time the cows have been in milk, and also that the difficulty is enhanced by feeding late cut or ripe fodder. If early cut hay and roots are used for winter food there will be no trouble in winter churning, though it will require a little more time than when cows live on grass are nearer the time of coming in. The ease of churning cream depends on the size of the fat globules of which cream is composed, and these are largest in fresh cows, and decrease as the period of milkgiving is prolonged. The cow's food also has an important bearing on the question, as these globules are largest when cows are fed upon green grass, corn meal, &c., but are smaller when they are fed upon straw, dead ripe cornfodder, late cut hay, &c., especially when they have been in milk a long time. The professor's theory looks sound and reasonable, and dairymen can make a note of it.

Keeping Rats From Harness.

Almost every person who uses a harness has been more or less annoyed by having it injured by rats. We give a few hints as to how this may be avoided, though everybody knows or effects to know, what is best. The recipes here given are collected from different sources: Take about a teaspoonful of Cayenne pepper, mix it thoroughly with a quart of oil, and rub the harness with the mixture. That, it claimed, will not only prevent rats and mice from gnawing the harness, but it will also prevent horses and colts from chewing the lines or halters. Take two quarts of green leeks, pour over them one gallon of oil, and let it stand a few days before using; the longer it stands the better. A little benzine rubbed over the harness after it has been oiled is said to be a sure preventative, but is not recommended by many, on account of the idea that it injures the leather. One ounce of aloes to one gallon of oil will prevent rats from destroying the harness. It is also claimed that by mixing a small quantity, say a tablespoonful, of pine tar to one quart of oil, harness will be most effectually protected from any injury; but if too much is put on, the leather will not absorb it. It will collect dirt, besides making the harness unpleasant to handle.

Preserving Fence Posts.

The *American Chemist* says: "Wood can be made to last longer than iron in the ground. Posts can be prepared for less than two cents a piece. This *is* the recipe: Take boiled linseed oil and stir in it pulverized charcoal to the consistency of paint. Put a coat of this over the timber, and there is not a man who will live to see it rot." Like many other sayings and recipes, this statement is made by a man who evidently has never had proofs of what he says; yet I am sure that two or three good coats of this mixture, on the parts of the posts that go into the ground will prove a good preserver for them; but a single coat will not suffice. The charcoal should be finely pulverized, and the first coat should not contain much charcoal, as the oil should be free to fill up the outer pores of the wood, when the charcoal may be freely applied. But let no one expect thus to preserve posts made of wood that soon decays naturally, but use oak, chestnut, or cedar, and apply three coats of this paint; and your children probably will see them *in the state of decay*—not you, unless you live to be very old.

Professor Keddie calls attention to the fact that a farm differs from almost every other kind of property, in its capacity for perpetual production. A horse or a cow lives but a few years, and the problem of the farmer is, how to get as much as possible out of the animal in that time. But a farm never dies—or—rather, never should be allowed to die. It should be cultivated with a view to its perpetual productiveness. Thus the importance of studying the science of fertilization, rotation of crops, &c. To "skin" a farm for immediate profit is as unreasonable and short-sighted as to skin a living cow for the product of the hide.

THE horse will eat ten hours out of every twelve; and the hog never knows what it is not to be hungry. The crow flies six miles, and the wild pigeon sixty an hour, but the humming bird beats all things on the wing. The wild turkey can run faster than he can fly, and any man who is a good walker can tire a deer out in twenty-four hours. The fox is the hardest animal to catch in a trap, and a muskrat the easiest, and the meadow lark is the shyest of all the birds in the air. The spider is the only creature that catches its food in a trap, and a sheep will live without water longer than any other domestic animal.

There is a cat in Burlington that has lost its voice. The *Hawkeye* says it is just heart-breaking to see that voiceless cat go out in the moonlight and climb on the shed roof and, try, by violent and emotional pantomime, to express a yowl that could break a pane of French window glass eighteen hundred yards in the distance.

The Georgia negro has no more faith in banks. He lays all his money out in clothes and hair oil, and the news of a bank suspension causes him to exclaim; "Bust away, will ye, but ye can't hurt dese lavender breeches!"

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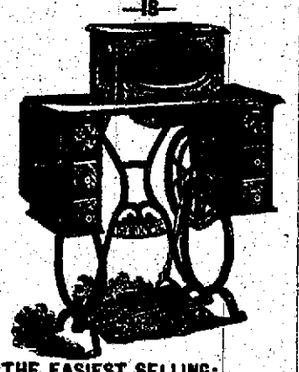

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Time table went into effect Friday, March 5, 1878, at 5 30 o'clock a.m.

SOUTHWARD.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	LOCAL.
Lurrabee.....Leave	11.20 a.m.	6.30 a.m
Frisbee	11.28	5.36 †...
Farmers Valley	11.38	5.46 †...
Smethport	11.55	6.00 †...
Crosby	12.11 *	6.16 *
Colegrove	12.15	6.21 †
Hamlin	12.19 *...	6.25 *
Werrwag	12.44 *...	6.48 *
Clermont.....Arrive	....	7.00 ...

NORTHWARD.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	LOCAL.
Clermont.....Leaves	1.30 p.m	7.30 a.m
Werrwag	1.51 *	7.50 *
Hamlin	1.55 *	7.73 †
Colegrove	1.59	7.56 †...
Crosby	1.53 *	8.01 †
Smethport	2.13	8.25 ....
Farmers Valley	2.23	8.39 ....
Frisbee	2.38	8.47 ....
Larrabee.....Arrive	2.45	9.00 ....

Trains will not stop at stations marked with a star (*). Trains will stop at stations marked thus (†) when flagged.

S. V. GODDEN,
Superintendent.

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Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division

WINTER TIME TABLE.

On and after Thursday, June 28th 1877, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Philadelphia.....11.55 p. m
" " " Renovo.....11.00 a. m
" " " Emporium.....12.55 p. m
" " " St. Marys.....1.46 p. m
" " " Kane.....2.20 p.m
" " arr. at Erie.....7.35 p. m

EASTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Erie.....11.00 a. m
" " " Kane.....5.50 p. m
" " " St Marys.....6.18 p. m
" " " Emporium.....6.16 p. m
" " " Renovo.....8.35 p. m
" " arr. at Philadelphia...7.00a. m

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March 5, 1878.

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NO TRAINS ON SUNDAY.

SOUTHWARD.

Leave Buffalo 7.45 a. m.—Mail.—Arriving at Ebenezer, 8.02; Springbrook, 8.21; Elma, 8.18; Jamison's, 8 23; Aurora, 8.30; Wales, 8.43; Holland, 8.53; Protection, 9.02; Arcade, 9.13; Yorkshire, 9.22; Machias, 9.30; Franklinville, 9.43; Ischua, 9.52; Hinsdale, 10.11; Erie R'y Junct., 10.25, Olean, 10.30; Weston's, 10.39; Portville, 10.45; State Line, 10.52; Eldred, 11.06; Larrabees, 11.16; Sartwell, 11.22; Turtle Point, 11.27; Port Allegany, 11.40; Liberty, 11.58; Keating, 12.05; Shippen, 12.32; P. M. Emporium, 12.55; connecting at Olean with Erie Railway East and West; and with Olean, Bradford & Warren R. R. for the New Oil Territory, arriving at Bradford at 12.15; p.m. at Larrabees with McKean & Buffalo R. R; at Emporium with Philadelphia & Erie R. R.

Leave Buffalo 4.35 p. m.—Port Allegany Express.—Arriving at Ebenezer, 4.52; Springbrook, 5.00; Elma, 5.06; Jamison's, 5.15; Aurora, 5.23; Wales, 5.35; Holland, 5.46; Protection, 5.55; Arcade, 6.09; Yorkshire, 6.17; Machias, 6.26; Franklinville, 6.47; Ischua, 7.00; Hinsdale, 7.14; Erie R'y Junct 7.27; Olean, 7.30; Weston's, 7.40; Portville, 7.47; State Line, 7.56; Eldred, 8.11; Larrabees, 8.21; Sartwell, 8.27; Turtle Point, 8.32; Port Allegany, 8.45; p.m. connecting at Olean with Olean, Bradford & Warren R. R. arriving in Bradford at 9.25 p.m.

NORTHWARD.

Leave Port Allegany 6.35 a m.—Express.—Arriving at Turtle Point 6.49; Sartwell, 6.54; Larrabees, 7.02; Eldred, 7.12 State Line, 7.23; Portville, 7.34; Weston's, 7.42; Olean, 7.50; Erie R'y Junct. 8.04; Hinsdale, 8.18; Ischua, 8.31; Franklinville, 8.46; Machias, 9.03; Yorkshire, 9.15; Arcade, 9.25; Protection, 9.37; Holland, 9.47; Wales, 9.58; Aurora, 10.10; Buffalo, 10.50 a.m. The Olean, Bradford & Warren train leaving Bradford at 6.00 a.m. makes direct connection at Olean with this train.

Leave Emporium 1.25 p. m.—Mail—Arriving at Shippen, 1.47; Keating, 1.58; Liberty, 2.07; Port Allegany, 2.25; Turtle Point, 2.38; Sartwell, 2.43; Larrabees, 2.53; Eldred, 3.03; State Line, 3.12; Portville, 3.20 Weston's, 3.28; Olean, 3.40; Erie R'y Junct., 3.44; Hinsdale, 3.58; Ischua, 4.10; Franklinville, 4.27; Machias, 4.42; Yorkshire, 4.52; Arcade, 5.00; Protection, 5.13; Holland, 5.22; Wales, 5.35; Aurora, 5.46; Jamison's, 5.53; Elma, 5.57; Springbrook, 6.03; Ebenezer, 6.13; Buffalo, 6.30 p.m. P. & E. R. R. train from the East and South makes direct connection at Emporium with the above train, as do also the McKean & Buffalo R.R. train at Larrabees, the Erie Railway trains from the East and West at Olean. Bradford & Warren train leaving Bradford at 2.05 p.m.

ERIE RAILWAY.

Abstract of Time Table, Adopted November, 13, 1877.

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EASTWARD.

STATIONS	No. 8, †	No. 12.*	No. 4.	No. 6.
D'kirk. L've	....	1.05 p. m.	....	7.05 a. m.
Le Val. "	....	2.5 "	....	9.40 "
Cincin'i "	....	9.50 "	....	....
Cle'rl'd "	....	7.00 a. m.	....	....
Salam'ca "	....	3.55 p. m.	....	9.12 "
Olean "	....	4.40 "	....	10.01 "
Cuba "	....	4.30 "	....	10.39 "
Genesee "	....	5.20 "	....	11.36 "
Andover "	....	....	....	12.13 pm
Buffalo Arr.	....	....	....	....
Niag'a Falls "	....	....	....	....
Hi'ville L've	8.50am	6.25 p m	12.35am	7.30
Elkhrn Arr.	10.30 "	8.40 "	2.35 "	4.30
B'ng'ton "	12.25pm	10.53 "	435 "	7.20
P't Jervis"	4.45 "	3.38 a m	9.52 "	....
New York"	7.55pm	7.35 a m	12.25p m	....

ADDITIONAL LOCAL TRAINS EASTWARD.

6.50 a m, except Sundays, from Dunkirk. Stopping at Sheridan 8.15, Forestville 8.30, Smith's Mills 8.37, Perrysburg 8.42, Dayton 7.03, Cattaraugus 8.09, Little Valley 9.25, Salamanca 9.55, Great Valley 10.07, Carrollton 10.22, Vandalia 11.-06, Allegany 11.40, 8 m, Olean 12.02, Hinsdale 12.-24, Cuba 1.25, Friendship 2.35, Belvidere 3.03, Phillipsville 3.40, Solo 4.05, Genesee 4.35, Andover 5.40, Alfred 6.26, Almond 6.55, and arriving at Hornellsville at 7.20 p m.

9.20, a m, daily from Dunkirk, stopping at Sheridan 9.37, Forestville 9.55, Smith's Mills 10.02 Perrysburg 10.27, Dayton 10.40, Catteraugus 11.06 Little Valley 11.37, a m, Salamanca 12.45, Great Valley 12.58, Carrollton 12.10, Vandalia 12.27, Allegany 12.40, Olean 1.05, Hinsdale 1.30, Cuba 2.22, Friendship 3.0 , Belvidere 3.31, Phillipsville 3.51, Solo 3.58, Genesee 4.10, Andover 4.45, Alfred 5.19, Almond 5.34, arriving at Hornellsville at 5.55 p m.

6.15 p m, daily from Salamanca, stopping for passengers, having tickets, at Olean 7.05, and Genesee 11.10 p m, arriving at Hornellsville 1.20 a m.

9.15 p m, daily from Dunkirk, stopping at Sheridan 9.31, Forestville 9.42, Smith's Mills 9.50, Perrysville 10.18, Dayton 10.34, Catteraugus 11.01, Little Valley 11.34 and arriving at Salamanca at 11.45 p m.

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.	No. 5.*	No. 9. †	7.*
New Y'k L've	7.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.	9.00a.m.
P't Jervis "	10.35 "	11.23 "	12.12 pm
H'rille L've	6.15 a m	12.30 p m	3.55 pm
Amdover L've	....	7.15 p m	....
Genesee "	9.17 "	1.34 "	9.07 pm
Cuba "	10.17 "	2.32 "	10.03 "
Olean "	10.40 "	3.00 "	11.15 "
G't Valley "	11.11 "	3.33 "	....
Salamanca Arr.	11.25 "	3.45 "	11.50 "
Cleveland "	7.20 p m	....	....
Cincinnati "	5.30 a m	....	....
G't Valley L've.	11.57 p m	4.15 a m	12.22 am
Dunkirk Arr.	1.30 "	5.50 p m	2.00 "

ADDITIONAL LOCAL TRAINS WESTWARD

3.50 a m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Genesee 6.07, Olean 8.25, and arriving at Salamanca at 10.45 a m.

4.50 a m, except Sundays from Hornellsville, stopping at Almond 5.00, Alfred 5.25, Andover 5.-34, Genesee 5.57, Scio 7, 45, Phillipsville 6.07, Belvidere 6.30, Friendship 6.58, Cuba 9.50, Hinsdale 10.45, Olean 11.20, Allegany 11.45, 8 m, Vandalia 12.07, Carrollton 12.10, Great Valley 1.30, Salamanca 1.55, Little Valley 2.52, Cattaraugus 3.35, Dayton 3.55, Perrysburg 5.02, Smith's Mills 5.42, Forestville 6.05, Sheridan 6.27, and arriving at Dunkirk at 6.50 p m.

12.20 p m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Almond 12.35, Alfred 12.45, Andover 1.05, Genesee 1.24, Scio 1.32, Phillipsville 1.41, Belvidere 1.56, Friendship 2.06, Cuba 2.24, Hinsdale 2.37, Olean 2.50, Allegany 3.03, Vandalia 3.09, Carrollton, 3, 22, Great Valley 3.38, Salamanca 3.57, Little Valley 4.15, Cattaraugus 4.3 , Dayton 4.53, Perrysburg 5.00, Smith's Mills 5.17, Forestville 5.32, Sheridan 5.46, and arriving at Dunkirk 6.05, p m.

1.10 p m, daily, except Sundays from Hornellsville, stopping at Genesee 3.01, Belvidere 4.10, Olean 5.55, Carrollton 6.45, and arriving at Salamanca at 8.00 p m.

8.55 p m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Genesee 9.47, Belvidere 10.10, Cuba 10.49, Olean 11.05, Salamanca 11.55, Little Valley 12.37, Cattaraugus 12.47, and arriving at Dunkirk at 2.30 a.m.

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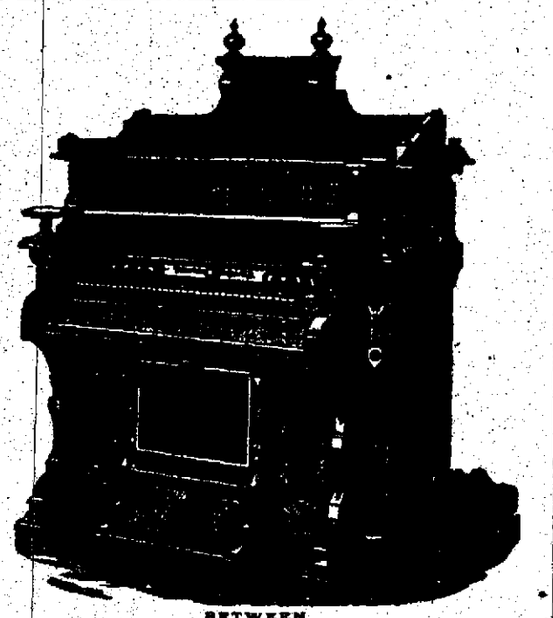

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